

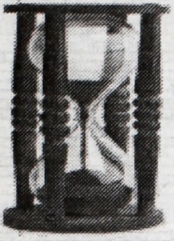
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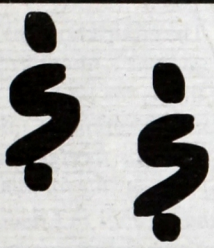
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- John Lennon

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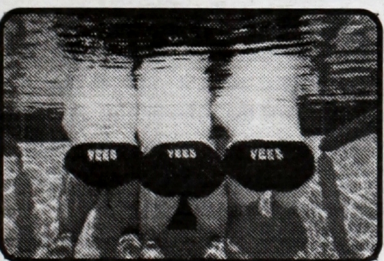
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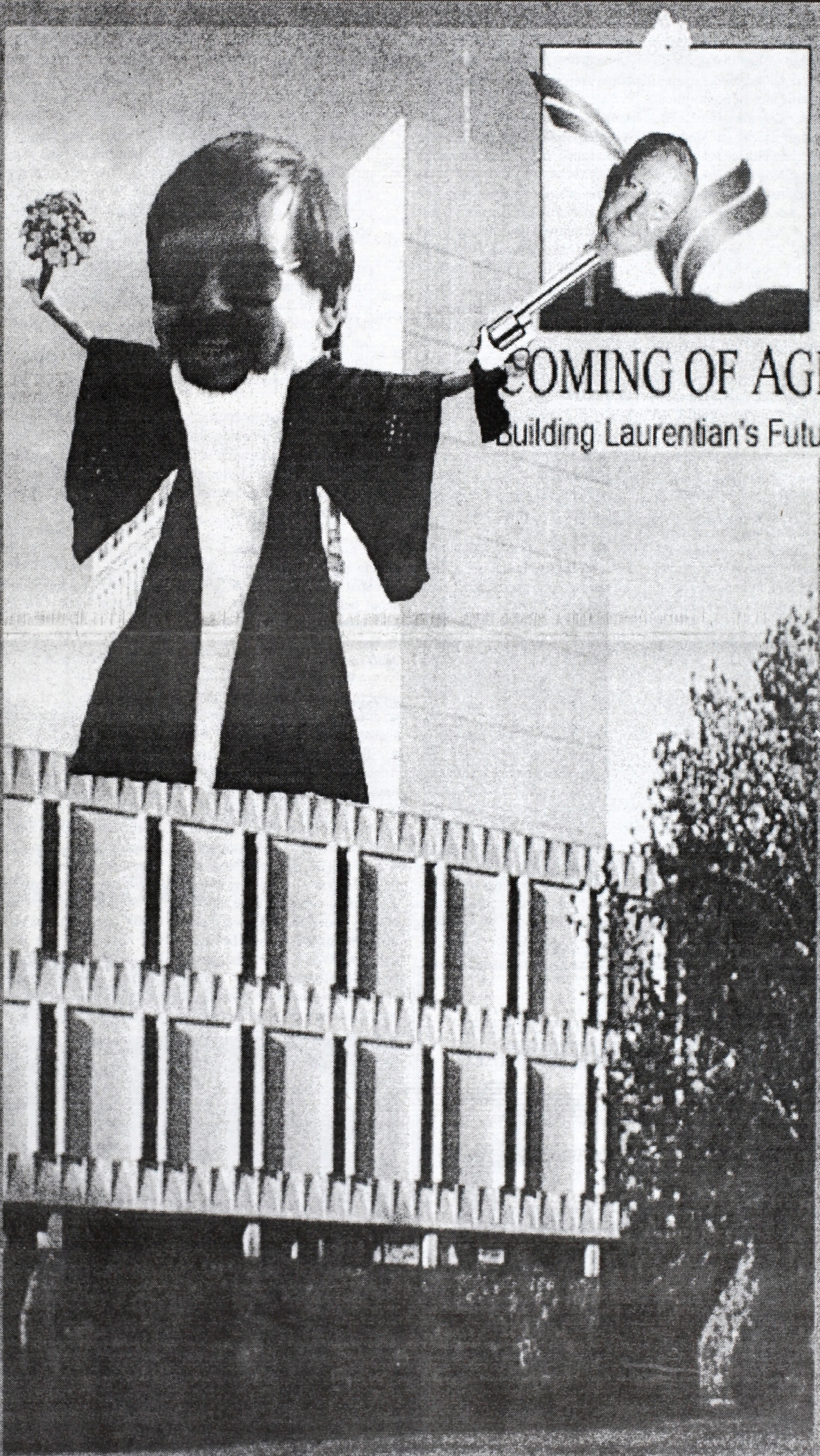


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COMING OF AGE:
Building Laurentian's Future

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Road Apples and Other Fine Messes

by Dylan Callens
News Editor

Something odd is afoot for 1999. You really have to start wondering what's going on when LU's Rock 'n' Roll President moves down from his ivory tower and comes into Lambda territory. What kind of omnivorous move was that? Yeah, that's right, omnivorous. However strange this move seems, we wish him well in his new office.

Perhaps the move was due to a similar situation, one that occurred during the second last day of exams. Did everyone hear of the bomb-threat that stopped only one exam! The 9:00 am set of exams on Monday, December 21, was stifled at 10:20 by a bomb-threat. No kidding! Original reports that exams resumed only two hours after the threat were false. Exams didn't start back up until 2 p.m. that day. Thank god they had time to search the building carefully!

The bomb-threat was called in. Speaking of telecommunications, there are new reports from the Region of Sudbury (spreading Sudbury propaganda) that say Sudbury is becoming a "Smart Region". It is "an aggressive economic diversification strategy [that] has transformed the Sudbury Region from a one-industry resource based economy to the government, business, medical, tourism and educational centre for northeastern Ontario. Sudbury is emerging as a home for technology. Telecommunications infrastructure, environmental and land reclamation technologies, mines and mineral research, cancer and cardiac research, and the Neutrino Observatory serve to form the base of a critical mass that now enjoys global recognition. Sudbury is well positioned to grow in the new economy of the coming decades. Approximately 70% of all employment in the Region is derived from industries that will continue to be the drivers of economic growth into the next century."

Actually, this report doesn't sound so much like propaganda as it does truth, which is quite unique. The region also wishes to enhance many of these fine programs by creating even closer ties with local and international businesses, education

and government centres.

Frank Mazzuca is particularly positive about the upcoming year. In part of his speech, he referred to a plan called "The New Way". Commenting on the new way, Mazzuca stated, "I will be working with young people in the coming year to find some solutions to the problems that they are experiencing. I recognize the importance of getting youth involved in determining their future and that's why *The New Way* initiative for youth will be driven by youth. Our young people are our future. We need to give them a helping hand so they have access to information about jobs, programs, and agencies that can be of assistance."

Of course, this is kind of funny since the province already provides youth with this service on the internet and through the SRDC. However, we'll give him a mighty hazza for his rhetoric.

Mazzuca, however, didn't comment much on the state of public and private school boards, vital to youth, and the troubles that may be forthcoming under the new education property taxes. The provincial government has assumed full control of these taxes, which in turn has created a reduction in revenue. The school boards will now be funded, according to the provincial government, in the following manner:

- The province will assume responsibility for setting the rate for residential education property tax; on average, many residential properties would see an education tax decrease of about 50%, although this may vary depending on the level they are paying now.
- The province will assume responsibility for an additional \$2.5 billion in elementary/secondary education funding through increased provincial grants.
- The province will also assume the responsibility for setting the rate for business education property tax, which municipalities will collect and distribute among

school boards, serving their municipality according to enrolment. This means that business will continue to support education and the revenue raised from business property taxpayers will remain in the community in which it was raised.

The new funding model is meant to equalize the resources available to all areas of Ontario, in order to provide the same quality education across Ontario. According to the government, the new model will:

- fund all students according to their needs, not the local taxation base
- provide parents with a clear basis for assessing the financial performance of their school board
- provide funds to recognize the cost of educating students, including special circumstances such as students learning English as a second language; students with special needs; and students in remote communities
- address the added transportation and heating expenses associated with providing education in the North and the special education needs in the urban centres of immigrant populations

So, what's Mazzuca really talking about? Does he just want to chit-chat with kids? Is he serious about helping out Sudbury youth? Let's hope that his intentions are good and he does want to help some students out.

While on the topic of government funding and education, what's up at Laurentian in terms of money available for the coming year? Well, our illustrious assistant news editor, Anna Steven did some digging and found the following:

"Laurentian University is coming into some money. The Ontario government announced in November that 29 million dollars would be made available for post-secondary institutions which have a history of being underfunded. LU was one of these institutions, and will be receiving \$740,000 this year to help bring its funding level up to par.

This good news comes right after some not so great news: the

Laurentian University Board of Governors has been empowered by the Ontario government to increase tuition by 10% when it creates the budget for the upcoming year.

The SGA is formally calling on the Board of Governors to use this new funding to help offset the proposed rise in tuition fees. Jamie Wylie, the president of the SGA, said that when the Board of Governors raised tuition fees last year, "they claimed that they would have preferred not to. This year they have an opportunity to avoid this. The ball is in their court." A tuition freeze campaign will be launched at Laurentian in the coming weeks to raise student and faculty awareness of the new funding and its potential uses.

The ball is in their court, indeed. What happens when the fit hits the shan? Will President Watters still be marching with us, or will his love for "fellow learners" falter when it means the most to us? We'll be finding out soon and you can bet that if it doesn't go our way this time, something's going to be done by students. Rumour has it that Todd Bosak will be running for VP Student Issues once more. You can bet that he, and the semi-militant Canadian Federation of Students, will rise with the apocalypse in mind. I'll sit here and write about any tuition hike, mockingly. That'll be my not-so-subtle contribution.

In all of this, Howard Hampton is still reported as saying that all we have to do is heavily tax the upper-class, create a tuition freeze, then a roll-back. It's that simple! Though, he never did comment on how this is to be implemented. Good little NDP man.

Besides this, the university has given us a way to make our education cheaper. Not as a whole, but on an individual level. Have you heard of this? You get cheaper tuition for bringing in other people to this university. That's right, discounted rates for bringing others into the university. The more that you get the cheaper the rates. Ever heard of this? Similarly, the more people that you get to sell Amway, the more money you make. Ever heard of this? I don't know. There's something odd about a university that's about to base itself on the ideals of a near marketing scheme. I'm not saying that it's completely bad, but it does sound a little cheesy. I can imagine going back to southern Ontario and talking to high-school kids, telling them that yes, they should join

Laurentian University. "If not for yourself, do it for me. Get your friends to join, and you too and get your education for free." Buy this book now, for just \$19.99."

Oh well, not a bad idea, just sounds kind of quirky.

Enough of the financial aspects of what's going on at this university. There's more. Actually, this next idea, seemingly dealing with only sports is actually just an indicator of something evil in Canada. Now follow me with this one for a moment, if you don't mind.

The hockey Vee's need a new coach. Let's face it, they've only won two games, and the players aren't the problem; the coaching is what's behind their demise. Now, this is good, right? Get a new coach and everything will be peachy. However, according to critics of the MAI, a foreigner will most likely replace him and not generate any new revenue or jobs.

The group known as the Citizens Concerned About Free Trade claims this is the problem with the Multilateral Agreement on Investment. "As for foreign ownership [being] responsible for hundreds of thousands of jobs in Canada, most foreign ownership doesn't create new jobs, but rather takes over existing Canadian companies, usually cutting employment. In 1997, of the \$21.5 billion of new foreign investment in Canada, 97.5% was takeover of existing Canadian business." These statistics come from *True North*. Naturally, no one really has a clue what's going to happen, which is evident in the constant bickering amongst everyone. What we do know is that when it happens, we might not know the effects in either the short or long term.

Now, we'll end these scenes of happiness and depression here. I've tried to bring out the good, the bad and the ugly that is forthcoming in 1999. Some things will be resolved, some will not. Either way, it should be an interesting year at Laurentian University and (at the very least) watch what's going on. The power is in our hands to make these changes, even if only at the local level for the time being. Although we're looking after our own interests, at least while dealing with tuition, let's do it right.



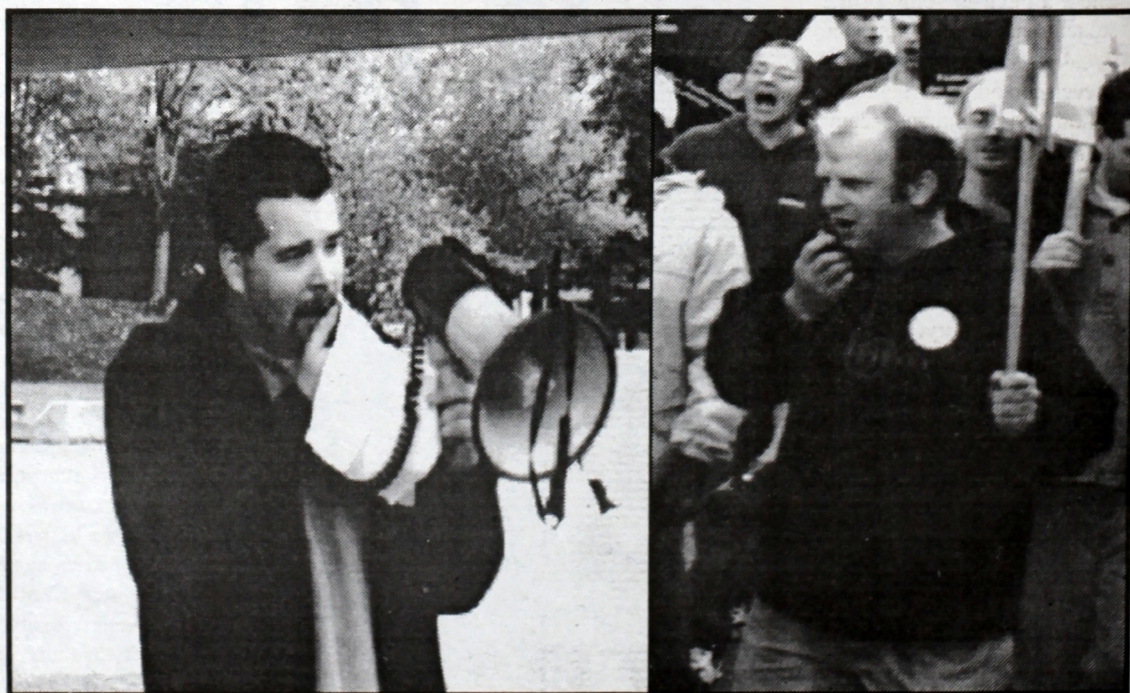
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Nominations for the position of
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Wiley & Bosak shout their stuff.

Slide Over YSP, Here Comes J&J

by Dylan Callens
News Editor

Just kidding. These two publishers are after good and interesting poetry but beyond that, the similarities pretty much stop. The focus here, J&J Publishing - by Salter Drummond, Sudbury's newest surprise on the poetry scene. We all expect Roger Nash, Laurence Steven, Melanie Marttila and Kim Fahner to produce and publish great poetry, as well as others, of course (but here I have to try and suck-up to my professors), but then Salter Drummond comes along and shows us something different.

The two chapbooks currently published (with reports of two more coming in the near future) are *Fall of a Fantasist*, by James Doule and *Immortal Fixations* by Salter Drummond. They are available at various locations around town, or by directly contacting J&J Publishing at: salterdrummond@hotmail.com.

And now, about the chapbooks. First, *Fall of a Fantasist*. The title is interesting, as it suggests the fall of a fantasist but the poetry is in the spirit of fantasy - or at least near, modern fantasy. Doule, in "The Fleeting Conversation" plays on misunderstandings to capture certain social oddities. The mindless hopping from intangible conversations (between characters) is well executed, keeping it interesting, humorous, and still relevant to what's going on around us.

As well, Mad Cow, a character that is seemingly realistic pops his head up here and there, but eventually gets thrown off the stage. It's quite unique the way that this character works in the book. His appears only briefly, but powerfully as well.

The only problem is near the end, in "Life is a Manufactured Sigh". This is little more than a rant, which resolves itself with an "Oh well." For

such a fine selection of writings, it almost looks like a piece of work that came from someone else. It grows tiresome after just a couple of lines,

often flowing throughout a poem, but sometimes literal connections are made. However, the literal connections that he makes are easy to follow and still relate to a central theme. There is a similarity between T.S. Eliot and Salter Drummond, in that they both seem distraught. Luckily for me, and plenty of other people, reading Drummond isn't nearly as tedious.

Much like Doule, Drummond picks apart social convention in a fashion that means something to the reader. This kind of poetry is growing in popularity for this reason, (perhaps more so to the younger reader). We've had it with what's going on, and this kind of poetry is what we want. The images are "cool"

and we agree with the thoughts; for the most part.

Take this snippet, for example:

*Through these streets you walk
Taking you nowhere, teaching you
nothing
Making you feel so sour, impure*

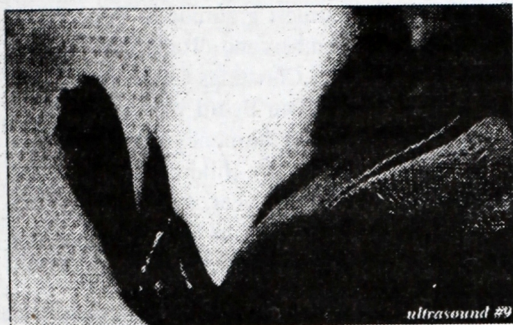
or

*wicker railroads
around the icy poles
capturing innocence
murdering the stale minds of the drifters aloof*

Of course, there is some gore, some complaining, and so on, but it's well done. Very rarely are his ideas lost or obscured. Hazza!

Fall of a Fantasist

Book One



A Selection of Writings by

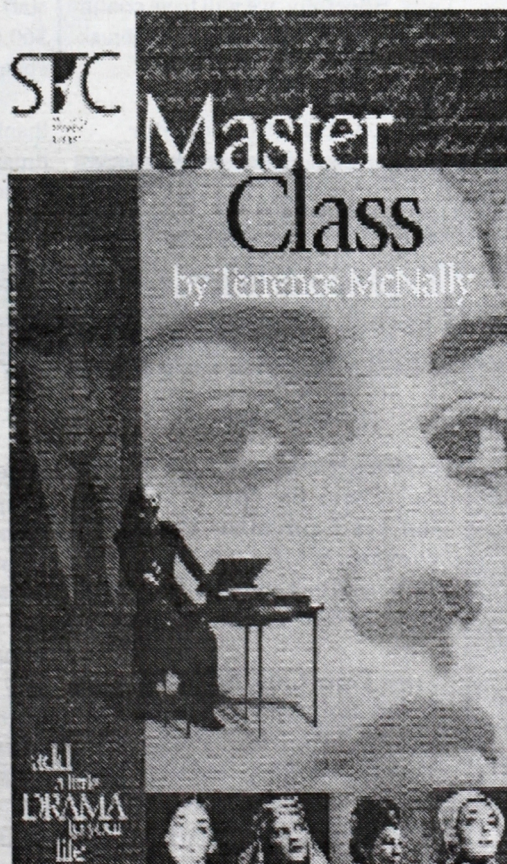
James Doule

The Master Calls

by Dylan Callens
News Editor

Maralyn Ryan as Maria Callas is amazing. She's witty, charming, and unrelenting. She's a bitch to some of her students, never easy with them, yet always brings the best out in each person. Even her interaction with the audience seems real.

The story, in a nutshell, is Maria Callas, a world-famous diva, blows her voice and accepts a job teaching at the Julliard academy, where we get her life story, a very sad story. While she teaches, she interrupts, reminisces and sometimes gives some very obscure advice. This often turns out to be hilarious in most circumstances, like when she starts yelling, "You have to have an image!" She yells at everyone (audience included) for not having an image. Coming from this old Greek woman, all dressed in black, it sounds ridiculously funny.



The singers are incredible as well. They have charming voices and very distinctive personalities. Take Tony, for example, this tightly-dressed gino kinda guy who plays his part perfectly. He's cocky, but Callas nearly makes him cry. It's a great scene.

Well, of course the story is great, it won a Tony award. Of course the acting is great, the actors have individually won several awards. Put this together, with the magic of the STC, and you have an amazing production. Strong from the beginning to the end when Callas recognizes her own faults and stops the master class and the play.

Master Class runs until January 21 and is part of the Mainstage Series at the Sudbury Theatre Centre. Ticket prices are reasonable. Call 674-8381 for more information.

News Briefs

Sing, Sing, Sing With a Swing

There will be an interdenominational celebration coming up on January 29th to celebrate Christian Unity Week. The celebration will be held at 7 pm in the University of Sudbury's Canisius Hall. The Laurentian Christian Fellowship will lead the singing. Anyone and everyone is welcome.

The Old Girls' Club

If you're a mature female student who needs someone to talk to, the Old Girls' Club meets every Thursday from 1:15 to 2:15 pm at the LU Women's Centre, on the second floor of the Parker Building. It's an hour set aside to talk about your feelings and listen to others share their own. For more information, contact the LU Women's Centre at 675 1151, ext. 1089.

Hit That Jive

Love those Gap commercials? Dying to slip into your zoot suit? Your time has come. Swing Into Spring, a swing gala, will be happening at 8 pm, Saturday, March 6, at the Ramada Inn. The Smokers will perform all evening, and dancers will demonstrate for anyone who wants to learn. If you pick up tickets before Jan. 31, you'll get a chance to win a trip for two to Montreal to see the Monet at Giverny exhibition. Tickets are \$100 each; \$50 tax receipts will be provided. Pick 'em up at the Art Gallery of Sudbury. For more info, call 675 4871.

Keep Your Car Safe

There will be a Car Clinic held January 16 at 1:00 pm at Laurentian University, focussing on road travel safety. For more information, contact the L.U. Women's Centre, ext. 1089, or visit them in room L-221.

Arts Briefs

Walk an Imaginary World

Northern artist Lionel Venne will be presenting his work at the Art Gallery of Sudbury from January 7 to February 14. The exposition, titled *Imaginary Landscapes*, expresses thought and nature through the medium of collage. For more information, call the Art Gallery of Sudbury at 674-3271.

Give Me Monet (That's What I Want)

The Art Gallery of Sudbury is organizing a bus to Montreal to see the Monet exhibition being held at the Musée Marmottan. The trip includes a return bus from Sudbury to Montreal and 3 nights at the Hotel Chateau Versailles, as well as the essential tickets to the museum. A guided tour of the city and an extra trip to the museum are also available. The trip is scheduled for February 19-22; cost is \$550.00, including a \$75 donation to the Art Gallery of Sudbury. For more information, call Helga Saint-Pierre at 522-8111.

"Jump!"

The second issue of *...like lemmings... (poetry over the edge)* is being put together now. Anyone with aspirations to poetry is invited to submit 6-8 unpublished poems to the editors, for publication consideration. The second issue will come out in May 1999. The author's name should not appear on the work submitted; name, address, and poem titles should appear on a separate cover sheet. For more information, email Kim Fahner at banshee@sympatico.ca or Melanie Marttila at sassafrass@sympatico.ca.



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Procrastination ... Gets the Better of Me

I have to admit that until now I'd been able to keep relatively aloof of our new "people's president" M. Jean Watters. I was conditioned, I admit, by the administration of Dr. Ross Paul, who routinely and unashamedly ducked my scheduled meetings with him, first as a Lambda reporter, then as its News Editor. So when the people's president arrived, I was totally unprepared and chose to simply ignore him, as I had begun to do with Dr. Paul. Perhaps, I thought, Dr. Watters would just go away, like his predecessor, or at least reveal his true colours. Instead, he moved down the hall.

Remarkably, Dr. Watters has remained true to his billing. For the Soccer Vees, he strapped on some cleats and "kicked off" their season opener. It was his first time kicking a soccer ball, and he did us proud. To date, he has attended more LU varsity events than his predecessor did during his entire tenure. Most people in the Athletics Department know this to be true.

When students took to the streets for the Day of Action, there was Dr. Watters marching right along. For that display of solidarity, Dr. Watters is rumoured to have weathered a good old fashioned reaming from certain members of the Board of Governors.

Maybe it wasn't such a good idea to ignore the good president. In fact, I know it wasn't a good idea, because he ended up down the hall from me. Perhaps if I had made a nuisance of myself earlier, he would have reconsidered. I didn't, and as with all missed opportunities, I am left only with "what if".

That's not to say that we relinquish our claim to the third floor as the student's last bastion (all the student media is located there). Au contraire, mon ami. We have traditions. One of those traditions, as petty as it may seem, is to refer to the J.D. Parker building as the ivory tower. How are we to continue this tradition, when the President of Laurentian University is located in an adjoining hallway on the third floor? How?

This is just the beginning Dr. Watters, mark my words.

Dear LU Students, re: strike vote

The SGA has decided to hold a referendum. On February 4th, you as students will be asked whether or not you support the idea of a one day student strike. This strike would take place in the event that the Board of Governors chooses to raise tuition yet again this year. The strike would take place in the period following a Board of Governors decision on this matter.

Now I am not going to tell you how I think you should vote. While I may do so in the future, this time out I will just mention how the SGA came to the decision to call the referendum. As we think about the issue, two significant facts emerge. First, tuition has gone up on a regular basis. Often, as tuition has risen, and this University has become less accessible, students have demonstrated their discontent. Whether it has been sit-ins, rallies in the community or rallies in town, there has been a proud history of activism at Laurentian.

The second significant factor over the years is the fact that all tuition increases have been direct gifts from the provincial government. Often, they have also come about as a result of federal government cuts in transfer payments to the provinces. To a large degree, this has changed. The current status of tuition increases has our very own Laurentian Board of Governors having charge over whether or not tuition increases. Make no mistake, the government is still strangling the university in the area of funding, and the fact that we have to even worry about tuition going up again is to a very large degree their fault.

Regardless of who is to blame, we are in an interesting situation. Rather than having to convince Mike Harris to freeze our tuition (an impossible task), we have thirty or so men and women (mostly men) who we need to get to. It needs to be the fight of our lives as a student union, and if we are not listened to, we need to know if there should be consequences. Thus, the strike vote.

Sincerely,
Todd Bosak,
VP Student Issues

SGA/AGE President's Message

by Jamie Wylie, SGA President

Welcome back everyone and from all of us at the SGA we hope that you had a happy and safe holiday season. I'm sure we all could have used a little longer break, but there is much work to be done.

On behalf of the SGA Executive and Staff I would like to take this opportunity to extend my warmest gratitude to SGA Board members and all others who helped with Christmas Charities this season. Our Board was successful in finding the money to purchase gifts for all the children on our Angel Tree this year, and the Pub Staff, along with the SGA Board helped us raise additional money that went

to a Geneva House family. This money was used to buy gifts and make things a little brighter for a family during the holiday season. Again thank you very much to all those who helped out where they could.

SGA elections are right around the corner. A Chief Returning Officer is needed, so if you are interested in the position, come see me in the SGA Office. Also if you are thinking of running for a position, stop by the office and find out what the job entails, one of the Executives would be happy to give you additional information. Finally I would like to wish you all the best in the second semester, and I hope that you take the time to stop by the office and visit us in the new year.

More Letters

Dear LU community,

If you were asked who was third in Canada for the best Alcohol Awareness Campaign, would you pick Laurentian Residence?

Well believe it or not, U.C. and S.S.R. were ranked third in Canada by Bacchus Canada for having an effective responsible drinking campaign in October of 1998. It is the first time we have placed for this event and hopefully we will do it again in February with our Safebreak campaign. Safebreak Week consists of a variety of fun, interactive events that promote understanding of cross-border laws, safe sexual practices, fun in the sun and, of course, responsible drinking.

I'd like to thank Paulette and Romeo for all of their support during Alcohol Awareness Week, and the Resident Assistants for all of their time and effort in helping to make the whole week run smoothly. I'd especially like to congratulate all of the residents who participated since they are the people responsible for making A. A. Week the success that it was. Hopefully, we will have continued success in February for Safebreak.

Bryce Collins,
Residence Life Co-ordinator

Dear Lambda,

On behalf of Campus Ministry and the Food Bank, I wish to express our deep appreciation for the very, very generous contribution of \$346.00 collected at the Bookstore.

This is their third year of contributing to the Food Bank. In 1997, they collected \$85.25 from the jar at the cash register. This year the amount was tripled to \$286.00. They owed this increase to the Open House, to Market Source Inc. and to the LU students.

During the open house in October, the hungry bear (jar) was prominently displayed by the cash register. Many customers gave generously for a worthwhile cause.

Market Source Inc. played a very important role in increasing the funds. Every year they provide hundreds of "student packs." This year they suggested that the students make a small donation (to a worthwhile cause) before picking their pack. As you can see, LU students are very generous.

As a continued tradition, the staff of the Bookstore contributed \$60.00 in lieu of having a gift exchange.

Thank you everyone. Special thanks to Gilbert Renaud who coordinated this fundraising activity. Please continue to feed the hungry bear!

Only ten issues remain... Drop in!

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At the Sign of the Lurching Loon Jerry Springer VS the Impeachment Process

by Kristin Jensen
Contributor

I was taking a stroll one fine and chilly day when I decided to visit my old hang out, the Loon. When I sat down and ordered a stiff one, I realized that the "Jerry Springer Show" was on the tube. To my great surprise everyone was fighting. Being prone to giving tv a miss due to its poor shows, I hadn't realized the tv world had sunk quite so low. Then the bartender began to flip stations...

The President's impeachment was on every channel, mock trials abounded on those new age talk shows as did bad jokes on average sitcoms. On all the "high-class" news stations like CNN, there were washed-up lawyers that had been a fixture since the OJ Simpson trial trying to predict "the country's future and the future of our President."

I suddenly had a brain wave that would solve the entire impeachment process and in which no one could lose. A battle must ensue be-

tween the Clintons and Monica Lewinsky via an "interview" with Jerry Springer. That way the common folk, and anyone who was interested, would be satisfied with the outcome of the tv "trial." I decided to think about it some more as the entertainment at the Loon was a little low at high noon.

With the intro music out of the way, Hillary Clinton would, of course, come on first, complaining that her man was making "booty calls" to another woman at her husband's place of "business," the White House. She would at first be teary eyed, then irate at "that woman, Ms. Lewinsky" who was breaking the all-American family mould. The crowd would probably jeer at her naivety for "standing by" and trusting her man who had already cheated on her, although her excuse would be that "she loves him." At this moment, like a well orchestrated ballet, Jerry Springer would bring out the "other woman," Ms. Lewinsky. Even before Monica's

entrance on stage, Hillary would stand up in order to "meet" with the young woman who had "sexual relations" with her husband. Hillary would perhaps lunge at Monica, pulling her hair or throwing her shoes, even falling backwards while the crowd yells and whoops with excitement. Just as the action starts to become "too hot for tv," two security men in tight white Jerry Springer t-shirts would intervene. Finally, the women would have to be restrained by the men.

Jerry would then ask some predictable question that would provoke more violent outbursts between the women, the crowd mindlessly agreeing with Springer. Then Bill would be called in front of this House of Representatives: the crowd that included the average American citizen who voted the President in.

Bill, like every other man to be "interviewed" by Jerry Springer, would offer some lame apology like "nobody's perfect," in order to appear sincere, all the while being booed

by righteous Springer fans. Like Bill, Jerry Springer, a leader to some, has a spotty record. Jerry has also committed adultery while in a government position, only to be found out through his chequebook, rather than a Linda Tripp.

Springer would, no doubt, ask Bill why he cheated on his lovely wife, with Bill only offering the answer that he "couldn't help himself." He would offer apology after apology to Hillary, while trying to ignore the "evidence" of his affair sitting right next to him in a "blue dress." Bill would say that he wants to work things out with his wife and daughter and that his family and the country need him. At the end of the segment, Jerry would pontificate his "Final Thought."

With my drink at the ready, I began to wonder if perhaps a good old fashioned fist fight is exactly what the American people need in order to deal with the President's adulterous affair and his lies "under oath." The

squabbling that persists within the walls of the American Government is simply a refined version of the "Jerry Springer Show." Kenneth Starr appears to be the ring leader of a new age Salem witchhunt, and an impeachment process that few Americans want. Sensational and even scandalous events abound within the Senate, such as Bob Livingston's gob smacking resignation after admitting to an affair with another woman and his calling on the President to do the same. However, how many of us wouldn't lie to cover up an affair, President or not? Granted cheating is repugnant and should not be encouraged, but are there any people who own a clean record of actions? As many guests on the Springer Show continue to reveal their infidelities and deceptions, I'm left to wonder how different the President is from the average man and how different the US Senate and the entire impeachment process really is from the "Jerry Springer Show."

Holiday Bliss

by John Wozniak
Columnist

Well, another Christmas has come and gone and I am sure I am not alone when I say I fell out of touch with reality over the holidays. As is so often the case when my mind knows that it can relax it definitely takes advantage of the opportunity.

Have you ever noticed that you tend to get out of some of those annoying constructive habits while you are on vacation? These habits

may include reading the newspaper, dragging your ass out of bed before noon or doing more than just lounging on the couch watching bad movies for hours on end. These are practices which my mind forgets all about over the course of a holiday.

Heck, my mind tends to get out of those nasty habits even when it is not a holiday. But there is no doubt that the tendency to be lazy over the holidays is amplified by the mere fact

that it is a holiday.

But what the heck else are holidays for? Visiting with family? That is merely an afterthought isn't it? First and foremost our minds are thinking about just shutting down for a week or two and doing nothing in particular except nothing in particular. And ain't it grand?!

The only problem I have ever encountered with this practice is that at some point you have to go back to

your job or back to school. This presents a problem as on that first day back you tend to feel like you spent \$100 at the liquor store the night before and drank every penny of it. Can you say 'sluggish' boys and girls?

I suppose the only solution for this problem is not to get so lazy over the holidays in the first place. Well, to those of you who say that, I say you are way too dedicated for me. That defeats the purpose of the whole idea

of holidays. You need to loosen up and unwind once in a while. I do it all the time. It works for me.

And for those of you who are with me on this practice of gluttony and laziness over the holidays I would just like to say that all in all I don't think these tendencies are all bad. After all, how can anything so relaxing and mindnumbing be bad? I am sure Mr. Constantin would surely agree with me there.

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Confessions of an English Opium Eater

by Constantin Constantius
Columnist

If you ever find yourself in a predicament involving the transaction, use, and so on, of certain illegal substances, don't hesitate. It could be life or death and most people seem to prefer life. It's like what Brook Shields said, once upon a time, "If you're killed, you've lost a very important part of your life." Her genius is unparalleled.

I have compiled a brief list of drug terms and their meanings. If you need them, just study it for a bit, then you'll be up-to-date and able to converse with Meth Monsters, Rock Stars, and so on.

Batu, Hanyak, Hiropan, hot ice, ice - smokeable amphetamine/methamphetamine

Crank, beans, candy, chalk, cristy, crossles, crypto - general amp/methamp names

Methlies Quick - the funniest name for methamphetamine

Snot - residue left in a glass pipe

Meth Monster - Methamphatime addict

Author - a doctor who writes illegal prescriptions

Torch cooking - smoking cocaine base with a propane torch

Thirst monster - crack addict

Tweaking - paranoia, induced by drugs

Legs - irregular heart-beat when coming down from a high

Lemonade - poor quality drugs

Pepsi habit - occasional drug use

Rockette - female who uses crack

Rock star - female who sleeps for

crack

Skeeger/skeezzer - crack-smoking prostitute

Emergency gun - instrument used to inject, other than a syringe. (Sid Vicious used a pen!)

Graduate - "progress" to stronger drugs

Honeymoon - early stages of drug use, before the development of an addiction

Hubba pigeon - looking for crack rocks on the floor after a police raid

Bedbugs - fellow addicts

Criss-crossing - a line of heroin and a line of cocaine are snorted simultaneously, switched nostrils half way through

Agonies - withdrawal symptoms

Artillery - drug paraphernalia

Babe - drug used for detoxification

Abe's caber - \$5 bill

Biscuit - 50 rocks of crack

Of course, there are several synonyms for each word, but these seem to possess the most character. The suggestion here isn't "get into drugs, it's cool", but let's say you somehow find your way in a dealer's arms and he thinks that you're a narc. Well, obviously, you don't want to be offed in this way. The best thing to do is fake it and get the hell away from the place as fast as possible. Often, however, they want you to take a demo, proving your innocence. If this be the case, you must succumb to this radical form of peer pressure, bight the belt and blast-off. Though, for the most part, hard-core drugs are hard to find in Sudbury, beware. People are doing cocaine and the rest may follow. May Buddha save us.

by Tonto
Columnist

Since this is the first issue of the new year, everyone is talking about how this year will be different from the last, and I guess I'm not any different. A fellow columnist gave us what he wanted for Christmas last issue (by the way, Todd, I'm pretty hurt that you didn't want a picture of me!!!). Anyway here it goes:

1. I want an Indian to be head of the Department of Indian Affairs. It seems that the only qualifications for being the head of this department is to be white and to have a need to get rid of the Indians through any means possible.

2. I want a real response to that Royal Commission thing that the government spent 50 million on to complete, then swept it under the carpet. The Royal Commission recommended that Natives actually get to live like real people, not living in

houses with 20 other people, with no indoor plumbing, no heat, and no hope.

3. I want every church, priest, missionary and government official that had anything to do with the Residential Schools to book an appointment with me and kiss Tonto's ass.

4. I want Preston Manning to realize that he can't hate Indians and then hold up Louis Riel as a symbol of Western Canada. If I look back in my history books, all of which were written by whites, it seems that Riel tried to stop the building of Western Canada. I guess being a Reformist means that you can alter facts much like in any communist state.

5. I want to find out why Ted Nolan, a good local Native, who won coach of the year two years ago for the NHL, is still out of work?

6. I want all National sports teams, to change their names from

Indian stereotypes to White stereotypes. Maybe we could have the Whiteskins for Washington.

7. I want Phil Fontaine, the current Chief of the Assembly of First Nations, to admit that he loves Jane Stewart, the Minister of Indian Affairs, and that he really screwed all the Indians with that Royal Commission.

8. Tonto wants a Pocahontas, my age. By the way the real Pocahontas was 12 when she was married/kidnapped by John Smith who was in his forties.

So I hope that I get all of this, it seems reasonable. And in the spirit of giving, I've resolved to let all of my readers find out who is the real Tonto. I promise to reveal my true identity for the last issue of this year. So look forward to it.

My World

by Bryson McCarthy
Columnist

I had the strangest experience over the Christmas holidays. Instead of going home and spending time with my family and friends, I stayed here in Sudbury, alone. Sure, you may not think that is so strange, but have you ever had to spend Christmas alone? It is a very humbling experience! You think it will be no big deal until Christmas morning actually arrives.

I opened my presents alone, watched my Christmas movies by myself and instead of eating Christmas dinner with family or friends, I spent the afternoon bowing to the porcelain God close to death from the

flu. So why am I telling you this, well, for all the bad things that happened, I actually enjoyed my Christmas!

The gifts people sent to me meant more than they usually do, conversations with family were touching, my girlfriend left a stocking full of goodies under the couch from Santa to cheer me up and at least seven families in town invited me to spend Christmas day with them. Even one of Lambda's former Editor-In-Chiefs brought me a care package of leftovers to try to make my Christmas a little brighter. Do you see why my Christmas was still great? If not you need to spend one Christmas by yourself. Actually, everyone should be

forced to spend at least one out of every five Christmas' alone.

When you go home for Christmas you just take everything for granted. Just hearing about people's family get togethers made me really appreciate past Christmas'. It is hard to explain, but this past December 25th was a real eye opener. So did this holiday change me? A little, but don't expect me to be a nice little sentimental, sappy prick after this article. No matter what happens to me, I am still the invincible loud-mouth bastard you have all come to love and worship!

P.S. From *My World* to yours... Thanx Dom!

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Welcome to 1999...

Time after Time

Karen Thistle
Features Co-Editor

As the countdown to the new millennium begins, it seems that we tend to take time for granted. Some people assume that the twelve month system is the best way to keep track of time but where did our system come from?

The early Roman calendar was based on the phases of the moon. Those men who were responsible for the telling of the new month watched the sky for the phases each new moon. The lunar months were named: Januarius, Februarius, Martius, Aprilis, Maius, Junius, Quintilis, Sextilis, September, October, November, and December.

Unfortunately lunar months were shorter than months are presently, so lunar months were not as long as the year and would eventually disagree with the seasons. When this occurred, the Romans added an extra month: Mercedonius. If a Roman ruler placed the month at the right time, the calendar still worked with the seasons; yet other rulers may have used the extra month to collect taxes early or to stay in office longer.

The extra month caused enough of a problem that eventually the lunar calendar no longer corresponded with the seasons. When Julius Caesar became ruler of Rome, the month of December was coming at the end of the summer: the calendar was a season off! Caesar is credited with making the months agree with the seasons by adding eighty

extra days to the year in 46 B.C. This year was 445 days long and called "the year of confusion"!

Caesar stopped the use of the lunar calendar, the extra month and amended the length of each month. The calendar was now based on the earth's motion around the sun. This new calendar was more accurate, and in order to remain that way, every four years an extra day was added to February. Thus, our leap years originate with Caesar's calendar.

The calendar was also changed in order to honour the man who had reshaped it. The month of Quintilis, Julius Caesar's birth month, was renamed July. Later, the Roman ruler Augustus renamed the month Sextilis in his honour: August.

While the Julian calendar was more accurate than any other calendar it was still about twelve minutes off. This may not sound seem to be a large margin but by the 1500's it was ten days off. For the church leaders this meant that some religious holidays were no longer coming at the right time. In the year 1582 Pope Gregory XIII corrected the Julian calendar by skipping the ten days in October. So people went to bed on October 4th and up on October 15th! Pope Gregory also changed the rules about the Leap Years, which we follow today. The new Gregorian calendar is the final model we use today and it is believed that this calendar is so accurate that after thousands of years it will never be more than one day off.

The Roman god, Janus, is always depicted facing forward and back in time.



New Years of the Past

Karen Thistle
Features Co-Editor

Every culture may not agree on the date of the new year but it appears to be celebrated in every culture past and present. In **ancient Egypt**, the calendar was based on the rise and the fall of the waters of the Nile River. Their astronomers observed that the star, Sirius, always appeared before the waters rose so the New Year was measured by the appearance of the stars.

Their calendar was 365 days a year. Based on the appearance of the star and the flooding of the Nile the ancient Egyptians celebrate the new year in what would be September 23 today. For them the flood marks the end of one farming year and preparations for the next.

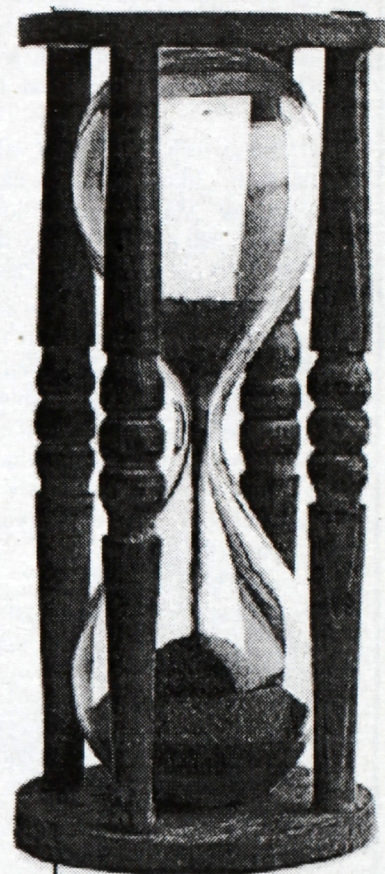
The New Year celebrations honoured the god Amon. His effigy and those of his wife and son were taken from the temple at Karnak and transported in decorated barges upstream to Luxor. The Pharaoh traveled in his own decorated barge, Priests and priestesses were in attendance and the royal procession would move upstream filling the air with music. At the end of the month, the singing, dancing and feasting came to an end. The sacred fleet made its way back to Karnak and the business of the year was resumed.

In **Babylonia** the calendar dates back to 2000 B.C. and it celebrated the New Year in spring. It was called the festival of Akitu where the all powerful king was publicly stripped of his fine clothes by the high priests,

and ordered to go humble himself before the gods. While he was gone, the laws were suspended, and people did what they liked. Three days later the King returned in his splendour in a grand procession. His authority was restored and everybody returned to their duties and jobs: from slaves to soldiers to shopkeepers. So the ancient Babylonians really did start their own lives over in the New Year.

The **Romans** celebrated the New Year in January and it was linked to the festival of Saturnalia (corresponded with Christmas time). January was named after the god Janus, who was always portrayed with two faces, one looking back and the other forward in time. To celebrate, they decorated their homes and exchanged presents such as gold or silver to wish wealth, or honey to wish peace. The people also sent gifts to the emperor. This was also the time where laws were relaxed and slaves ate with their masters and people dressed in odd clothing.

The Celtic Festival of Samhain is when the Celtic people celebrated the end of October, samhain or Sambian meaning "summer's end". The druids, Celtic priests, congregated and made new rules for the year. They also practised divination, predicting events in the coming year. The Celtic people took a rather grim look at the future believing that this was the time where the spirits of the dead return to haunt the living. Mistletoe was used because it was believed to

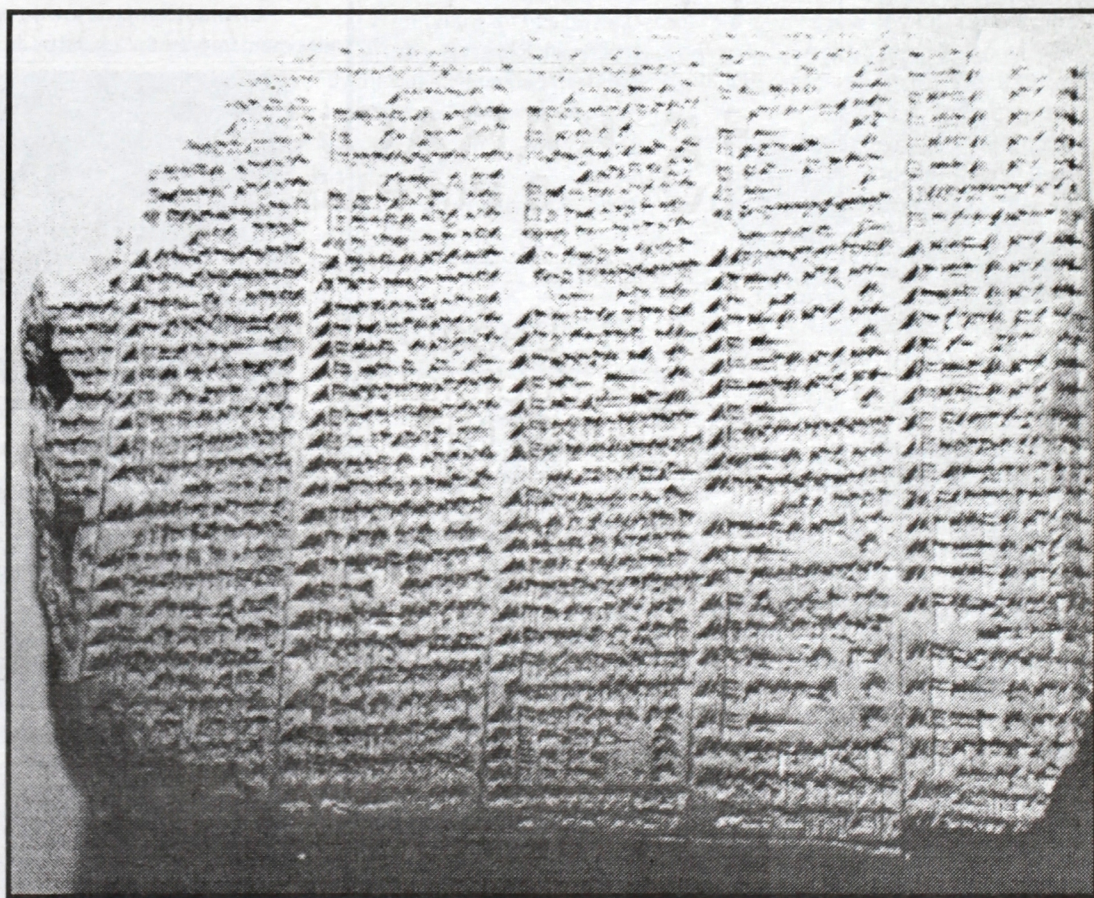


The time-honoured time-piece.

keep spirits away. People joined hands and danced around the bonfires believing the flames would give them strength to live through the cold months ahead.

The influence of these New Year celebrations can be seen in celebrations of today, such as Halloween in October.

A Babylonian calendar of lucky and unlucky dates.



the Countdown Begins

Resolutions

by Derek Serafini
Features Co-Editor

Sometime between the first drink of New Year's Eve and the last dry-heave of New Year's day, you probably made a resolution of some sort, or at least had a desire to make one. The changing of years is always a popular time to look back at the previous year and consider the state of your life. And you probably have noticed that there are at least a few areas that can stand some improvement. If not, I congratulate you and wish you all the best as the Millennium approaches. But if you maybe want to do a little better in school, maybe lose a little weight, save some money, or whatever, this is a good time to do it. Here are a few guidelines to help you set and keep those resolutions in the coming year.

1. Set your goals based on your values, not what everyone else says you should want. Many of us get caught up in setting goals that satisfy everyone else. Making a resolution to satisfy another person will pretty much assure that the resolution will be broken.

What does your heart say? When you know what is important to you, you're more likely to reach your goals. Goals that are an impression of who you are make you feel satisfied and want to achieve them. The goals that leave you feeling empty are those you're trying to achieve because you're supposed to want those things.

Remember, this is your life. It's not up to your friends or family, your profs or co-workers to tell you what you want. Only you know. And you need to have the courage to set your own course. Resist making your resolutions because you feel that you should do it. You won't feel fulfilled when you accomplish it.

2. Set process goals, not result goals. If a goal is too rigid, you will feel like a failure if you don't accomplish it. If you set a goal to run a six-minute mile by this time next year and you run a seven-minute mile, it will be hard not to feel like a failure. Instead, make a goal to be in the best physical shape by next year. If you're actually pushing yourself during each workout, you'll get what you really want out of your exercise program. The real motivator is incremental success, such as running three times a week for the next year. Re-word your goal into an outcome, and you'll enjoy the process much more.

3. Set goals based on what you want to become. Rather than setting external goals, such as making a lot of money or buying a car, set your goals on who you want to become. Set a goal more in tune with your creativity. Who you are always determines what you get in life. The great thing is, you can decide who you want to become.

Auld Lang Syne

You know that moment just after the ball drops, everyone is kissing and hugging, and a song is begun. You, half-tanked, try to sing along. But you don't know the words, so you end up sounding like a fool. The song was written by the Scottish poet, Robert Burns, in 1788. Here they are. Memorize them. This will come up again.

Should Auld acquaintance be forgot
And never brought to mind?
Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And auld lang syne!

For auld lang syne, my dear,
For auld lang syne,
We tak a cup o' kindness yet
For auld lang syne.

And surely ye'll be your pint stowp!
And surely I'll be mine!
And we'll tak a cup o' kindness yet,
For auld lang syne.

We twa hae run about the braes,
An pu'd the gowans fine;
But we've wander'd mony a weary fitt,
Sin auld lang syne.

We twa hae paidl'd in the burn
Frae morning sun till dine;
But seas between us braid hae roar'd,
Sin auld lang syne.

And there's a hand, my trusty fere!
And gie's a hand o' thine!
And we'll tak a right gude-willie waught,
For auld lang syne.



New Year's Around the World

For some people, New Year's eve marks the end of one year and the beginning of another. It is a time to celebrate the good and look forward to the new. For others, it is a time of reflection on the past. In Canada, the standard New Year Day falls on January 1; for other cultures New Year celebrations come at different times. The following celebrations and festivals are just a few of the many different ways in which different cultures mark the beginning of a new year.

The Jewish New Year is celebrated as **Rosh Hashanah**. With origins in the biblical days of old, Rosh Hashanah occurs around the autumn equinox. For the Jewish community it is a time of repentance of sins and of commitment to do better in the new year.

Part of the celebration includes attending services at the synagogue, which features the tradition of blowing the Shofar, an instrument made of a hollowed-out ram's horn. According to the Old Testament of the Bible, Moses blew the Shofar to call his people to hear the Ten Commandments.

At the Rosh Hashanah dinner, people eat honey in hope that the new year will be sweet. Fish are also eaten as a traditional symbol of plenty. Children are often given new clothing as part of the festivities.

St. Sylvester's Eve in some European countries like Switzerland, marks an important New Year's celebration on January 13. The legend of St. Sylvester, who became Pope in A.D. 314, tells of his capturing a terrible sea monster called Leviathan. While they had thanked their god that the monster had been captured, they believed that the monster Leviathan would return in the year 1000. A new Pope, also named Sylvester, was installed in the year 999, and people were afraid the legend would repeat itself. But the first day of the new year saw that Leviathan had not returned.

In some European towns, people commemorate the legend by dress-

ing up in costumes and parading through the streets. The people called Sylvesterklauses (Sylvester's hermits) wear the costumes to represent the demons that helped Leviathan and the angels that aided St. Sylvester.

The **Festival of St. Basil** marks the new year in Greece. St. Basil lived from about A.D. 330 to 380 and was one of the founding figures of the Orthodox Church. Known for his kindness and generosity, children leave their shoes by the fireplace when they go to bed on New Year's Eve and hope to find the shoes filled with gifts from St. Basil in the morning.

Another Greek tradition is to bake Vassilopitta. It is custom for the first piece of the cut cake to be put aside for the saint himself. The cake contains a ring or gold coin. The person who has the coin in their piece of cake will have a lucky year.

The tradition celebrated the legend of St. Basil. During his lifetime the people were too poor to pay their taxes, so the saint collected personal pieces of jewelry to try and save them from punishment. When he brought the jewelry to the local governor, he felt sorry and had St. Basil return the people's belongings. The saint could not remember who owned which piece of jewelry so he put them all in loaves of bread. When the bread was distributed, each item miraculously found its way to its original owner.

Hogmanay is the New Year celebrated in Scotland. Part of Hogmanay custom is to roll a blazing tar barrel through the streets or burn an old boat as a symbol of burning up the last of the old year to make way for the new. This is also a time for eating Haggis. A kind of meat and oatmeal pudding cooked in a sheep's stomach. Haggis can be "piped in" at ceremonial dinners, where it is carried in while the bagpipes are played.

Other traditions that are observed with Hogmanay is the "first-footing". Some Scots believe that the first person to enter their homes on

New Year's day can bring a good or bad year. Flat footed people are considered unlucky while those who bring coal for the fire are considered a good sign. The singing of Auld Lang Syne is a tradition that began as part of the Scot's tradition with Hogmanay.

The Japanese New Year **Gan-Tan** is similar to the celebrations on January 1, however, they have traditional customs that are connected to the Shinto religion. One of these traditions is to hang a kind of rope across the front of their homes called a shimenawa. Made of rice straw and decorated with strips of white cloth it is believed to keep out evil spirits.

For the Vietnamese, New Year's is celebrated with the **Tet Festival**. Some Vietnamese believe that each family has a household god which in the new year travels back to heaven, on the back of a large carp, to report on how the family has behaved in the past year. Some households still honor this tradition by buying a carp a few days before the Tet festival and placing it in a large bowl of water before the family shrine, releasing the fish on the first day of the festival into the local river or pond.

Like the Scottish, the Vietnamese also believe that the first person through the door on the first day of the Tet festival will influence the coming year.

The Chinese New Year **Yuan Tan** coincides with the new moon and often falls between January 21 and February 19. Each year is represented by an animal and those born within the year often share similar characteristics. The New Year is celebrated with a special meal including dumplings with nuts and sugar, which symbolize a happy family life. Firecrackers are lit to keep away evil spirits which are about on New Year's day. There are also celebrations in the streets with processions of dragons and musicians, dancers and clowns.



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Procrastination

by Derek Serafini

Features Co-Editor

I was supposed to finish this article over the Christmas holidays, but I just could not get started. For one thing, I wanted it to be the best article that anyone had ever written on procrastination. In my fantasies I wrote it in 20 minutes flat, and it was so good that the Prime Minister invited me to Ottawa for lunch to tell me how deeply it had impacted his life. But this made me sort of anxious. Think about it. This kind of success (talk shows, book deals, Spielberg holding on line two) would have meant that everyone expected a great article every time I sat down at a keyboard. Which, quite frankly, I resented. You see, I also have this problem: I'm pretty smart, but I only seem to be motivated when it is a balls-to-the-wall crisis. Then I swoop in to save the day. I like this feeling. But by the time the piece was due, I was so busy that I didn't have time to write it. Instead, you're reading this one which was prepared by my mother.

The above paragraph contains all of the delay tactics that we use when we procrastinate. It also shows three traits common to all procrastinators: we all have great intentions that we never quite act on, we are geniuses at rationalization, and we're aware that we're sabotaging our own happiness. This regret reinforces further procrastination, and pretty soon our lives are a self-defeating floor show rivaling any in Las Vegas. The dirty secret about procrastinators, according to Linda Sapadin, clinical psychologist and professor at Hofstra University, is not that we're lazy. It is that we are scared - of not measuring up, of change, of losing control, of...fill in your favorite fear.

Sapadin has spent decades observing people whose lives are on standby. She has identified six main types of procrastinators. See if you've been doing the same crazy, work-shirking, New Year's resolution-killing stuff. Then knock it off - now.

DREAMERS

Dreamer procrastinators desperately want life to be easy and free of pain. They retreat from the real world and live in their heads, where everything is vague, non-threatening, and cozy. They cherish the notion that they're special, that they don't have to play by the rules. This kind of "magical thinking" often leads to employment problems, friends and relatives who tire of unkept promises, and the assuming of disguises as they flee OSAP collectors.

Solution: If this sounds like you, you need to leave Never-Never land behind. Recognize the difference between feeling good "at the moment" (fantasizing, watching TV, buying things) and "feeling good about yourself" (the pleasure of accomplishment, mastery). Doing those derivatives for calculus class won't be as exciting as watching football, but it yields greater self-respect and confidence. You also need to ground yourself in the present. Lists are good for this. Write down what can realistically be accomplished each day and the specific steps that must be taken to accomplish it. Develop a passion for the "middle" stages of projects, the detail-rich area where you tend to check out.

WORRIERS

Worrier procrastinators prize security over everything else. They have a narrow comfort zone and become paralyzed when faced with risk or change. They suffer what Sapadin calls "anticipatory anxiety": an endless stream of "what ifs" about hypothetical situations, all with negative consequences. What if that person I'm considering asking out actually says yes, and then dumps me and breaks my heart? What if I finally drop this subject I hate and end up hating another one even worse? Better to be safe, secure, and bored than to face uncertainty. Worriers don't tend to have a lot of fun and often suffer from burnout, but for them it beats facing a task head-on.

Solution: Deep inside most worriers lurks a more vibrant, courageous soul who is bored and sick of their life. According to Sapadin, this indicates a willingness to change. Worrier procrastinators should avoid mentally "catastrophizing" tasks. In thinking about a project or event that you are facing, try to guard against your natural tendency to overestimate the time it will take, the energy you will have to expend, and the problems it will cause in your life. Essentially, be more optimistic. Worrier procrastinators often tend to forget that not making a decision is indeed making a decision. By not making a decision, worriers are deciding to allow others to make decisions for them. In addition, turn negative anxiety about something into excitement. This way, doing something will not be so anxiety-provoking.

PERFECTIONISTS

What's wrong with being a perfectionist you ask? In the abstract, "perfectionism" certainly seems like a virtue. Although we may occasionally poke fun at individual perfectionists, we tend to admire the sheer loftiness of their goals. Shouldn't we all strive for perfection? The sad reality is that having perfection for a goal is a much more complicated matter than aiming for excellence or a high level of achievement. In many cases, a preoccupation with perfection can actually sabotage one's best efforts. The perfectionists procrastinate in such a way that never allows them to finish anything. They are constantly trying to go above and beyond the call of duty. However, in having such high expectations for themselves, nothing that they do is good enough to be finished: nothing lives up to their standards.

Solution: Firstly, perfectionists have to realize that they have limited control over how others live their lives. Thus, if perfectionists are frustrated by the actions of others, they shouldn't waste a lot of time expecting anyone else to change and become perfect. Sapadin also recommends that perfectionists should strive for excellence rather than perfection. Excellence has a much clearer definition than perfection. Therefore, attaining it is easier than attaining perfection. Perfectionists should also avoid "all or nothing" thinking. Perfectionists tend to think of things in terms of extremes. Try to allow for some middle ground.

DEFIERS

The word defier conjures fierce, intimidating images: taut lips spitting out angry refusals; a clenched fist thrust into the air; an insolent face scowling above tightly crossed arms. Sometimes, defier procrastinators present these images to people, but most of the time, they don't. As a matter of fact, they are more likely to display smiling lips and open palms extended for a handshake of agreement and a kind face radiating cooperation. At times, they're convincing. At other times, they can't help sending a confusing mixed message of part agreement, part opposition. Defiers say what they want others to hear, but they don't do what they say. They may "shake on it", but they don't act on it. They may look ready and willing, but deep down, they're resistant and reluctant. Instead of antagonism, their defiance takes a more slippery and subtle form - procrastination. They don't refuse to do things outright. They simply don't do them at all, or else they do them in an inefficient, uncaring manner.

Solution: Sapadin recommends not to view what others want you to do as a demand. Instead, look at it as a request. Defiers tend to look upon every message from the outside world as an attack on their right to remain completely independent. Defiers also need to be more calm. When they sense a burning desire down in their chest, Sapadin recommends "stepping back" and looking at the best course of action before opposing any.

CRISIS-MAKERS

"I work best under pressure." If you often hear yourself saying these words, you're probably a crisis-maker procrastinator. What's more, you probably take pride in this statement, as if you believed you could summon up marvelous powers of sudden courage, speed, and endurance that other people lacked. It's no wonder that when these "less gifted" people urge you to develop steadier work habits, you reply, "...but I only get motivated at the last minute!" Your "but" factor involves your fundamental sense of who you are and what makes you special. Crisis-maker procrastinators see themselves as being able to weather the last-minute crises that may evolve rather than being the cause of the problem in the first place.

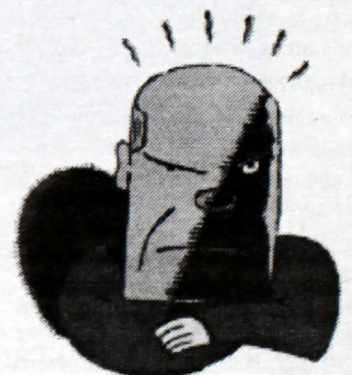
Solution: Crisis-maker procrastinators need to feel interested in doing something in order to get involved in it. This is the reason for their delusion of being interested in finishing at the last minute. At least they have the claim to fame that they finished "minutes before it was due." Crisis-makers need to identify other self-motivators beside stress. Stress is a good motivator for awhile, but it, nonetheless, is stressful. Stress is bad for you. If you rely on it, it can really hurt you. Sapadin also recommends that you change your thinking style from "extremist and general to moderate and specific." Crisis-makers need to guard against their natural tendency to exaggerate everything (eg. I've already got a million things to do this week). They, instead, need to be specific and know exactly what needs to be done and when it needs to be done so that they can start preparing ahead of time.

OVERDOERS

Overdoer procrastinators are those people who just cannot say "no." They take on a billion-and-one things at any given time. They put off their own responsibilities for the sake of helping out others. As a result, the overdoers end up not doing very much. They end up stressing themselves out, resulting in a horrible pattern of procrastination.

Solution: Say goodbye to the Superman/Superwoman myth. Recognize your personal limitations. Don't always think that you can work at your peak levels and take on job after job. Overdoers also need to acknowledge the difference between priorities and demands. Priorities are things that are important to you. Demands are important to others. Overdoers should not depend on approval from others so much. Sapadin recommends that overdoers take care of themselves first, then when they are ready, help others to their best of your ability.

Is This You?





Les «maux» du Rédacteur Nouvelle année - mêmes injustices

Gérald D. Woodard
Rédacteur Francophone

Voilà, une autre année qui commence. Nous avons réussi (espérons!) le premier semestre et nous nous lançons dans l'affrontement du deuxième. Nos ventres sont pleins de dinde et de farce, et maintenant nous revenons à la réalité étudiante - le macaroni au fromage.

Quoi dire sur une réalité qui ne change point d'une année à l'autre? D'une réalité qui devient même plus ancrée avec le passage de chaque année? Que nous apporte-t-il le nouvel an? Pouvons-nous espérer voir de grandes améliorations de notre sort? Réveillons-nous! Les seules choses nouvelles dont nous «réjouissons» cette année seront des coûts injustes d'autobus, de nouveaux prêts, de nouvelles réductions dans les dépenses gouvernementales en éducation, et de nouvelles augmentations de nos frais de scolarités.

Les problèmes auxquels font face les étudiants n'ont guère changé depuis la création de l'Université Laurentienne. Pendant le congé des fêtes, j'ai beaucoup fouillé dans les archives du Lambda à la Bibliothèque. Ce que j'ai appris c'est que la lutte contre des augmentations n'est point nouvelle. Nos confrères de chaque génération ont subi les mêmes injustices, même si c'était sur une autre échelle, et ils décriaient la situation dans les pages du Lambda.

Mais il y a certaines choses qui ont changé. L'une est l'échelle des augmentations. Une augmentation annuelle moyennant 13% - ce que nous voyons depuis 3 ans à la Laurentienne - est inouïe dans tout ce que j'ai vu. Nous faisons face à une situation qui, depuis plusieurs années, est passé d'une crise à un désastre. Les hommes d'affaires de notre pays bénéficient de plus en plus d'avantages fiscaux

(y compris beaucoup qui ne paient aucun impôt) tandis que l'étudiant est obligé d'occuper une poste à temps plein à part leurs études pour simplement pouvoir manger et payer le loyer. La dette moyenne d'un étudiant finissant est maintenant d'environ 30,000\$. Et on parle d'autres augmentations l'an prochain.

Et cela mène à l'autre changement. Où sont passés les militant·e·s étudiants d'autrefois? Oui, il y en a sur le campus aujourd'hui, mais même pas assez pour faire une manifestation qui impressionne. Comment pouvons-nous faire passer notre message si 90% des étudiants de l'Université y tourne le dos et permet qu'on leur passe un gros sapin dans le...? Autrefois, il y avait de la solidarité étudiante ici et partout. En 1968, les étudiants à Montréal, face à certains injustices, ont envahi les rues de la ville pour exprimer leur mécontentement. Il y en avait un mille de long et 20 personnes de large - on frottait les édifices de chaque côté de la rue tellement on en était!! À la Laurentienne aujourd'hui, nous arrivons à peine à faire participer 50 étudiants. Même le Recteur de l'Université, le Dr Jean Watters, s'est dit déçu par ceci lors de la manifestation du mois d'octobre. Nous sommes devenus si dociles que même l'administration en est gênée!!

Le 4 février qui vient, il y aura un vote de grève à la Laurentienne. Que nous démontrons à tous que nous en avons ras le bol! C'est le temps que nous fermions l'école afin de leur faire comprendre que c'est assez. Une grève d'un jour ira loin pour passer ce message. Prenez le temps de voter; prenez le temps de faire entendre la voix étudiante; et surtout prenez le temps de reprendre ce qui est à nous: notre éducation!!

**Cette université appartient aux
étudiants
Reprenons-la!**



**Lors du vote de grève,
Votons «oui»!!!**

L'usage Français

Cette rubrique est consacrée aux nuances de la langue française. Elle fournira, grâce à des extraits du *Langagier* du Département de Français, des clarifications sur l'usage, correct et incorrect, de certains mots et combinaisons de mots. Ici, on retrouvera aussi, parfois, de petits jeux de mots pour vous amuser. Si vous avez des mots sur lesquels vous voulez être éclairés, faites-les parvenir au *Franco-Lambda* ou au *Langagier* (Département de Français). Nous voulons remercier le rédacteur du *Langagier*, le Docteur Pascal Sabourin, pour sa coopération.

Les Anglicismes

Depuis sa création, *Le Langagier* fait la cueillette des

anglicismes les plus souvent entendus ou lus à l'Université Laurentienne. Afin d'aider les lecteurs et lectrices à franciser certains usages, *Le Langagier* ouvre une nouvelle rubrique qui paraîtra périodiquement. Pour chacun des cas, nous donnons d'abord l'anglicisme, puis l'équivalent français, suivi d'une brève explication.

Appliquer pour un emploi

- Faire une demande d'emploi
- Postuler, solliciter un emploi

Appliquer a d'abord un sens concret en français: appliquer un pansement, une couche de peinture, etc. Le terme a aussi plusieurs sens figurés: appliquer un traitement, une formule, une loi. Mais il n'a jamais le

sens de demander quelque chose. Selon une même logique, le terme **application** (pour désigner le document servant à faire une demande d'emploi) est un anglicisme qu'il faut écarter. Comme **appliquer**, le terme **application** a un sens concret (application d'une pommade, de dentelles, etc.), et plusieurs sens figurés (application d'une loi, d'un procédé, application au travail, etc.), mais le terme ne désigne jamais le document servant à postuler un emploi. On dira plutôt: une **demande d'emploi**, un **formulaire de demande**. Souvenez-vous: vous pouvez toujours **appliquer** un coup de poing au visage de celui qui vous refuse un emploi, mais ne songez surtout plus à «appliquer pour» un emploi à cet endroit!

De nos Lecteurs

Chers membres de la communauté, étudiants, étudiantes, membres du corps professoral et membres du COPA de l'Université Laurentienne,

Ceci est une lettre ouverte, une prise de parole.

Nous tenons à ce que notre voix soit entendue et respectée. Nous voulons soulever la question du programme de Beaux Arts pour les francophones à l'Université Laurentienne qui, depuis trois ans déjà, est pris dans l'engrenage administratif de l'Université. Le programme ayant été accepté en principe est bloqué par un mur dressé par le COPA (Comité de planification académique). Les membres de ce comité de planification hésitent de prendre une décision sous le prétexte que ce nouveau programme, même s'il est une priorité pour les étudiants et étudiantes francophones, ne semble pas être une priorité pour l'Université. Nous tenons à souligner que le comité de planification stratégique en avait fait une priorité en 1992 et en 1996 dans ses rapports présentés au sénat.

En reportant cette décision, le COPA nie l'urgence et le besoin de ce programme. S'il n'y a pas d'engagement de la part de l'Université Laurentienne cette année, dès l'an prochain, la possibilité d'exécuter ce projet sera nulle. Les argents du Consortium qui avaient été désignés pour la mise sur pied de ce programme ne seront plus disponibles. C'est alors que le programme de Beaux Arts (incluant La Troupe!) sera disout, ainsi que tout espoir pour cheminer dans notre milieu artistique Franco-ontarien. Que faut-il de plus?

Une étude de faisabilité, menée par une firme professionnelle indépendante et objective démontre que la clientèle existe pour un programme de Beaux Arts en français. L'étude démontre que nous pouvons nous attendre à 25 étudiants la première année, ce qui, en projection, nous donne une moyenne de 100 étudiants au bout de quatre ans avec un degré de rétention qui se compare à d'autres programmes. Ce

programme représente une nouvelle clientèle pour l'Université Laurentienne et une clientèle qui débordait les cadres de Sudbury.

Que faut-il de plus? Que dire à ces jeunes qui veulent poursuivre leurs études artistiques en Ontario français? Non, mes chers petits, allez étudier au Québec! Allez étudier à Toronto, ou encore à Thornloe en Anglais! Bravo, chapeau bas à ces programmes! Les arts doivent vivre et vibrer au sein d'une communauté, en anglais autant qu'en français. Par contre, pourquoi devons-nous faire face à ces programmes qui ne correspondent pas à nos besoins? Pourquoi s'exiler? Nous sommes chez nous ici.

Au début des années 1970 à l'Université Laurentienne, un groupe de jeunes Franco-ontariens ont lancé un cri d'appel: la création de Prise de Parole, du Théâtre du Nouvel-Ontario, de la Galerie du Nouvel-Ontario, de CANO, de la Nuit sur l'Étang et de La Troupe sont nés de ce réveil. Ce fut un véritable tourbillon, un éveil culturel. Et bien, mesdames et messieurs, vous faites aujourd'hui face à une autre vague de Franco-ontariens enrégés, amoureux de leur langue et de leur culture. Nous citons l'exemple de La Troupe dont l'engagement depuis cinq ans déjà est phénoménal. Plus de 20 jeunes artistes chaque année consacrent au-delà de 400 heures afin de participer à ce projet et quelques milliers de personnes ont été témoins de ces productions. Ces étudiants et étudiantes qui, après l'obtention d'un seul crédit universitaire, continuent à oeuvrer sur les planches. C'est par amour des arts que nous préservons dans cette voie qui nous est sacrée.

Notre chemin, depuis quelque temps, s'est brouillé et s'efface tranquillement. Mais, comme le dit le poète Jean-Marc Dalpé, «il faut prendre sa place, toute sa place, pis sans demander la permission». Voici la possibilité de lancer un renouveau de la culture Franco-ontarien, de créer de nouveaux réseaux artistiques francophones.

Au moment où ces mots sont écrits, l'administration de l'Université Laurentienne tente d'attirer des étudiants en offrant des rabais de 10% sur nos frais de scolarité si nous acceptons de parrainer un étudiant de première année. C'est, chers amis, de la prostitution. Pourquoi inviter des jeunes à venir étudier à l'Université Laurentienne, «l'université du Nord pour les francophones», alors qu'on affirme que la création de nouveaux programmes conçus pour eux n'est pas une priorité de cette merveilleuse institution? De plus, pourquoi inviter ces jeunes à étudier à la Laurentienne alors que cette dernière affirme déjà depuis quelques années sur ses affiches publicitaires que le programme d'Art dramatique est déjà offert en français? C'est, chers amis, de la fausse publicité.

Nous, étudiants franco-ontariens, sommes clients à part entière de l'Université Laurentienne et nous exigeons des services qui répondent à nos besoins. Fini le temps de vivre à côté de notre âme! Fini le temps de négocier notre existence comme francophones!

Merci d'avance.
En attendant une prompt réaction,
Les étudiants de La Troupe



Découvrir l'histoire oubliée du Fort Saint-Joseph

Le mercredi 13 janvier de 13 h 30 à 15 h, M. Graeme Mount, professeur d'histoire, et André Laferrière, étudiant en histoire, écriront l'histoire du Fort Saint-Joseph. Ce séminaire de recherche ayant pour titre «A History of Fort St. Joseph» est organisé par l'Institut nord-ontarien de recherche et de développement (INORD). La présentation aura lieu dans la salle L-302 de l'édifice R.D. Parker.

Situé au pied de l'île Saint-Joseph, à l'embouchure de la rivière St. Mary, près de Sault-Ste-Marie, le Fort Saint-Joseph a déjà joué un rôle stratégique dans la région. Dans leur recherche, M. Mount et M. Laferrière lèvent le voile sur l'histoire oubliée de cet ancien avant-poste militaire britannique. Ces deux chercheurs ont étudié les raisons pour lesquelles les Britanniques ont choisi d'ériger le fort à cet endroit, la vie quotidienne et le mode de vie des soldats affectés à cet avant-poste, la campagne militaire de 1812 (la Guerre anglo-américaine), le déménagement du fort à l'île Drummond et à Penetanguishene, et pourquoi ce monument est devenu une attraction touristique en 1970.

Les résultats de cette étude seront publiés ce printemps par le Dundurn Press de Toronto. M. John Abott, professeur d'histoire à la Algoma University à Sault-Ste-Marie, participe aussi aux travaux.

La Belle Province

Toujours du temps froid - Un an plus tard

Gérald D. Woodard
Rédacteur Francophone

La tempête de verglas a eu lieu il y a un an, mais la glace persiste à Québec et à Ottawa dans les échanges froids des politiciens péquistes et fédéraux. Dans un communiqué de presse du bureau de Bernard Landry à l'occasion de la première anniversaire de la tempête de verglas, le ministre québécois d'affaires intergouvernementales, Joseph Facal, a parlé du coût de la tempête, quelques 1,6 milliards \$ selon la communiqué. Mais il ne mentionne que très brièvement la «compensation» que le Québec recevra du gouvernement fédéral.

Afin de répondre à ceci, le Président du Trésor Fédéral, M. Marcel Masse, a aussi envoyé un communiqué de presse accusant le gouvernement péquiste d'avoir caché au peuple québécois la part des dommages payée par le fédéral. Selon Masse, le coût au gouvernement du Québec n'est point 1,6 milliards \$ mais beaucoup plus bas. Le gouvernement du Québec dit que le 31 décembre 1998 il avait payé 500 millions \$ aux victimes, aux municipalités, aux entreprises, aux écoles et aux agences de santé et que 200 millions de plus seront requis afin de tout régler.

Cependant, le gouvernement fédéral dit que, compte tenue des remboursements fédéraux, le Québec n'aura payé à la fin que 84 millions \$ et le fédéral 616 million. Et la communiqué fait note que ce chiffre ne comprend pas les 45 millions \$ dépensés par le fédéral sur le plus important déploiement militaire au Canada en temps de paix - quelque 15 000 soldats ayant participé dans le Sud du Québec, l'Est de l'Ontario et le Nord du Nouveau Brunswick.

Un aide à M. Masse a dit que le gouvernement péquiste semblait recommencer leurs anciens jeux en minimisant le rôle d'Ottawa quand ceci dépense au Québec et en se plaignant qu'Ottawa ne dépense pas assez. «Ces gens aiment se battre avec Ottawa» a-t-il dit. «Ils ont besoin de ça comme un auto a besoin d'essence.»



Marcel Masse,
Président du Trésor Fédéral.

Création d'une prestigieuse fondation privée

Gérald D. Woodard
Rédacteur Francophone

Le 15 décembre dernier, dans une salle comble du Cassio's Motor Hotel, Madame Alma Ricard de Sudbury a annoncé la création de la *Fondation Baxter & Alma Ricard* - fondation qui distribuera des bourses d'études à des Canadiens-français vivant en situation linguistique minoritaire. Les bourses seront attribuées à des étudiants ayant terminé le baccalauréat, ayant obtenu des résultats académiques qui leur permettent de poursuivre des études supérieures (2 et 3 cycles) et qui ont démontré un sens civique et un engagement actif au sein de leur communauté. La valeur de chacune des bourses sera déterminée en fonction des récipiendaires afin de leur permettre de poursuivre leurs études dans les meilleures institutions du monde sans pour autant devoir s'endetter.

Cette fondation est née de la volonté, du courage et de la générosité de Monsieur Baxter Ricard (décédé en 1993) et de Madame Alma Ricard - couple dont la vision s'inscrit dans un attachement profond à la communauté et est le prolongement

de la tradition des pionniers qui ont édifié le Canada et qui ont développé le nord de l'Ontario.

La fondation est l'une des plus généreuses contributions du genre au Canada avec un fonds de dotation qui est actuellement de l'ordre de 23 millions de dollars. Elle sera dirigée par un conseil d'administration qui comprend des noms comme Paul Desmarais, M. le juge Robert Desmarais, et Me. Guy Fortin. Il y aura aussi un comité consultatif qui comprendra, parmi d'autres, S.E. le très honorable Roméo Leblanc et l'écrivain acadienne Mme Antoinette Maillet.

Lors de l'annonce de la fondation, il y avait dans l'assistance, entre autres, M. Alain Landry, Directeur général de la Fondation, M. Paul Desmarais, et le Dr Jean Watters, Recteur de la Laurentienne.

Les formulaires de demande de bourses seront distribués en février 1999 et le choix des récipiendaires se fera en mai de sorte que l'attribution des premières bourses puisse coïncider avec la rentrée universitaire de septembre 1999.



Mme Alma Ricard

De Nos Archives

Afin de voir comment notre petit monde laurentien a changé à travers les années (ou ne pas changer), nous allons publier, de temps à autre, un extrait d'un *Lambda* d'autrefois. Quoique beaucoup de personnes croient que le *Lambda* n'a jamais eu beaucoup de français dans ses pages, la réalité a été le contraire à certaines époques : l'anglais se faisait très rare.

le 18 avril 1962

Lettre aux Français du Canada

Si je traite l'Allemand de cochon, il me fourre sa botte au cul, me traîne avec peu de délicatesse dans un camp de concentration, me désosse avec une joie perfide, sert ces os aux chiens bergers (allemands) qui se délectent, et brûle mes restes charnels dans un ignoble four crématoire.

Si je traite l'Anglais de fils de pute, il me fera couper la tête avec une scie faite de dents de requin, donnera mon corps à ses chien de chasse (qui meurent de faim au sein du commonwealth), et joue une partie de cricket avec ma tête, ce qui est tout-à-fait déplaisant. Sa cruauté satisfait, il mettra ma tête dans l'eau, enlèvera les chairs et se fera un fourneau de pipe avec l'ossature. Et, insulte ignoble, il bourrera cette pipe avec du tabac canadien donné par Dief.

Si je traite le Canadien-Français d'amorphe, d'écoeurant, d'inférieur, il baisse la tête, se frappe la poitrine et dit mea culpa sous l'oeil bienfaisant de son curé. Ou bien il renvoie une bourrée d'insultes à l'agresseur Canadien-Français ou Anglais, mais se gardera bien de faire un geste positif.



C'est vrai, je suis professeur de français!
Vous voulez dire que vue la situation actuelle
au Québec il y a là motif à expulsion?

- Lambda, le 5 février 1964

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Dear Dharma



by Dharma Brody
Advice Columnist

Dear Dharma: This past Christmas was disastrous! I spent almost \$400 on my boyfriend and he spent about \$70 on me. And to top it all off he didn't even get me anything until after Christmas because he hates shopping when it is busy. My gifts came from the heart and his seem like something he would buy a cousin or maybe his sister. I am furious, what can I do. I don't want him to be mad at me, but he really hurt me.

Dissed

Dear Dissed: It isn't the money that matters. You could spend under \$10 in total for Christmas and have it mean the world to a person. It is the thought that counts. I think you went a little overboard on your spending yourself. There is no way you should have to spend that much to make it personal. But then, maybe you needed to reinforce what your relationship by buying his affection. Just look at what you bought and what he got you. This should be a sign of where you both are in the relationship. I think you are a little more serious than him, especially if he won't go shopping during the holiday season for you. Rethink this one. There are problems on both sides here!

Dear Dharma: I have been dating two women at once for a few months now. I finally gave in to the one here and dumped my girlfriend back home. I told her everything and she was very hurt, but I felt better. Now my girlfriend here decided she doesn't want to be with me anymore. How can I convince my old girlfriend that I made a mistake? I still love her and want her back!

Lonely Guy

Dear Lonely Guy: You are the type of guy our mothers warned us about. You had your cake and you ate it too. But all good things come to an end. You made the wrong decision and got dumped on your ass! You lost on both ends and it serves you right! All I can say is I hope neither of them takes you back and your next girlfriend screws you over worse than you just did these two girls! If you really loved either of them, you would not have been with the other. No one can say they love someone, then be with another person. I don't believe it and would love to set anyone straight that thinks otherwise. You gambled and lost buddy. Better luck next time!

Dear Dharma: My girlfriend and I have a fantasy of having sex in a movie theatre. Can you recommend the best time and place to do this?

Movie Man

Dear Movie Man: The best time and place for this is when I am not sitting anywhere near you! I hate it when people are talking in the movie theatre. I don't need to hear you and your girlfriend doing the Popcorn Pleasure Push behind me. But if you just have to do it, go to a late show on a dead night like a Sunday and hope no one else shows up. But if there are people in the theatre, do me a favor, keep your Milk duds to yourself!

Coming Soon to The Entertainment Section:

Next Week - A Review of The Mail Order Music Clubs. Who's Better and Who's Just *Playing With You*!

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Watch for The All New Corruption Quiz '99 Coming Soon...

Seeds of Conspiracy

(and How To Stick 'Em In Your Cap and Call it Macaroni...No, Wait)

by Nick Stewart
Asst. Entertainment Editor

Well, as you may or may not have heard, Laurentian University was the victim of a false bomb threat at some point during exams. While it may seem like it was just some student who failed to wake up in time for his exam, it is in fact considerably more complicated. Just how much more complicated? Well...

The True Nature of The Exam-Time Bomb Threat (P.S. Any Historical Inaccuracies Are Due To the Fact That the Author Just Doesn't Care)

It all started back in 1943. World War II was in full swing, and the Allies were losing several key battles. Things were starting to look grim, and the world was struggling to keep up hope. Top-level Allied leaders attempted to devise new ways to foil the Nazi threat. While every allied country had its own plan, and the USA with its plot for nuclear devastation, Canada was the sole member of the Allies that was left without a good solid plan. After attempting to work out several dozen different ideas (including potential chemical, nuclear, and maple syrup warfare), Canadian researchers settled on the concept of just rendering the Nazis dirt stupid. The reasoning behind this was that if the Nazis were rendered so stupid as to the point of not being able to tie their shoes, they would obviously very easily be defeated. The researchers realized however that this would not be an easy

undertaking. It would require vast amounts of human experimentation, which was, naturally, quite illegal. So the government hid its scientists in large underground compounds, where they would not only live, but also perform their experiments. Obviously, experiments require experimental subjects, and, wanting to achieve the best results in the quickest amount of time possible, the government periodically, over the course of the following few years, would kidnap random people and send them down to the compounds for testing. Large amounts of intelligence-reduction tests were conducted, and thousands upon thousands of ordinary, intelligent Canadian citizens were transformed into drooling, gibbering idiots. Once a person was reduced to this state, they were of no more use in experiments, and were set free. These ex-test-subjects then went on to lead quasi-normal lives, living and procreating as they did before. Due to the large amount of lower intelligence among a portion of Canadian citizens however, this created what has become known as the Stupid Baby Boom. This set off a chain of negative evolution, creating a generation of people much stupider than the average shmoe. This generation, in turn, gave birth to a Still-Rather-Dumb Baby Boom. A given member of this wave would, today, roughly be the age of a university student. The government, realizing what a potential threat to human evolution these Still-Rather-Dumb Baby Boomers (or SRDBBers) pose, have attempted to track down the ances-

tors of the original '43 test subjects. Despite their massive idiocy, the SRDBBers managed somehow to form a Secret Club to attempt to keep themselves alive, establishing headquarters in different cities around the country. If any of them became aware that Government Spies were headed towards their city, the SRDBBers of a given town would call the headquarters and use a secret code (in case of government wiretapping) to alert HQ of the imminent danger. This past December was the month that the government decided it was going to crack down on the Sudbury sect of the SRDBB Secret Club, and one Sudburian in particular (Person X) caught wind of this, and attempted to call Sudbury HQ to warn them of the crackdown. Of course, being a member of the Still-Rather-Dumb Baby Boomer generation, Person X has the intelligence of a bowl of warm oatmeal, and instead of calling Sudbury HQ, called Laurentian University. Seeing how that day so happened to be exam day, it was decidedly very inconvenient for students that the Sudbury SRDBB secret code is "There Is a Bomb Planted In the Gym". The exam-writing students were subsequently evacuated from the Ben Avery Gym, each cursing the name of Person X, vowing revenge.

Fellow LU Students, you now know the horrible truth behind the Exam-Time Bomb Threat. Person X is, as far as we know, still undetected, but we can rest assured that he/she/it will be found eventually, if for no other reason than this person is cursed with the IQ of an overripe turnip.

Off The Top Rope What The Hell...

by Mat Thompson
Entertainment Editor

Warning: As of writing this article I have not seen this week's Raw or Nitro, so if anything major happened, I don't know about it yet!

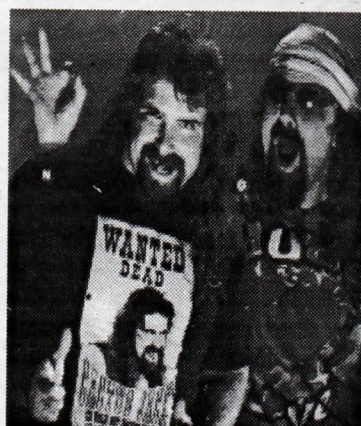
I was so happy over the Christmas break. Everything in the world of wrestling was looking up. Shawn Michaels turned on The Corporation, Kevin Nash finally won the WCW/nWo Heavyweight Title, Billy Gunn is getting the respect and matches he deserves, and more Canadian ICW wrestlers are joining the WWF. Then all of a sudden, everything went straight to hell last week!

Kevin Nash has wrecked professional wrestling as we know it. I don't understand the thinking behind this latest move. The Wolfpack was the most popular group in the WCW and now they have joined up with the nWo. Sure, they are more powerful than ever, but why? Hulk Hogan said he was retiring! I want him to retire. Actually I want him to go away and never return again! Please Hogan, I am begging you. Retire already!

Nash has just committed career suicide. Just like The Rock before him, Nash was at the peak of his

popularity and he turned on the fans. What is the big draw with being a bad guy? Both The Rock and Nash were cool. Actually they were two of the coolest guys in wrestling. Now they are the most hated men around! Thank God neither of them have their titles. But look who does!

Hogan is an over the hill, has-been who should be broadcasting or promoting, not wrestling. And then there is Mankind. I love the guy, but I can't see him lasting as champion. The Rock is championship material, not an out of shape freak who hangs out in boiler rooms. As Mick Foley, he deserves all the credit in the world.



He is the only wrestler in the business that will put his body, and life on the line every day to make the fans happy. I don't think that anyone has done more in the sport than Mick Foley has. Everyone has contract stipulations of what they won't do, but Mick just does it all and comes back for more. The signs are true; FOLEY IS GOD. My problem is that Mankind is a stupid personality. Cactus Jack was great, Dude Love was a little strange, but this Mankind thing has to go!

And what is up with WCW announcing the results of Raw before they happen. Are they that hard up that they have to tell people what is going to happen on their competitor's show? I think they are just upset that they let Austin, Foley, X-Pac and many others go. The federations have to stop trying to outdo each other and focus on fixing up their own problems. The WWF has become to focused on stories that there is no wrestling and the WCW has to stop showing the same matches over and over every week!

That is it for this week, but look for the Entertainment Section to go totally pro wrestling in two weeks!

Scraping Roadkill Off the Information Superhighway

by Nick Stewart
Asst. Entertainment Editor

Assassin: <http://newgrounds.com/assassin/index.html>

Tactless and politically incorrect? Oh yes. Ridiculous and desensitizingly fun? Damn right. This site puts you in the shoes of an assassin (like the title, duh), whose mission it is to kill various annoying celebrities. People on your deathlist include Saddam Hussein (naturally), Bob Saget, Leonardo DiCaprio, Rush Limbaugh, the Spice Girls, Bill Gates, Snoop Doggy Dogg, a Furby (go for the ears!), and many others. Each person that you choose to kill is presented as a mission, each one involving some kind of game. Okay, given, the games aren't challenging, but they horribly slaughter the celebrities in needlessly violent and excessive ways...and that's all that we really want anyways, right?

Altavista Translations: <http://babelfish.altavista.digital.com/cgi-bin/translate?>

Have you ever wanted to be able to tell somebody that they stink in Portuguese (Voc  tresanda)? How about in German (Sie stinken) or Italian (Puzzate)? Well, this site lets you do that, and a large number of other translations. It's actually a sort of translator, allowing you to translate a set of English text that enter into either Italian, German, French, or Portuguese, and even vice-versa. Ordinarily, this type of site would merely just catch my attention, and not be considered worthy of my time (yeah, like I don't have enough of it to spare). No, the real fun of this place comes from translating your phrases into a foreign language, and then back again. For example, the phrase "I'm not sure why my pet squirrel decapitated itself, though I theorize that it was because it was bored and had nothing better to do" translated to German, and then back to English again, becomes "I am not safe, why my domestic animal squirrel beheaded, although I theorize that it was, because it had bored and for doing better nothing". Yes, stupid, I know, but hey, it's fun. (And for you Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy freaks out there, just take a look at the web address...makes sense, doesn't it?)

Soundresource.Net: <http://www.soundresource.net/>

Wow. If you've ever wanted just about any kind of sound file, this place has it all. Cartoon series, television series, movies, comedians, they're all here. I mean it. You can get most any WAV file that you could hope for, from The Tick to Army of Darkness to Mr. Ed to George Carlin. There is just an impressive amount of stuff available to download. And if you're still not convinced, two words: Soylent Green (....IS PEOPLE!!!! Okay, so that's four words).

Tripod's TaroToy: http://www.tripod.com/explore/fun_games/tarot/

Ever want to visit a fortune teller but just didn't have the time or money? Ever want to get your cards read (or something) but just didn't have the faith? This site is prolly as close to real tarot cards as most of us are going to get (or as close as some of us would WANT to get). I don't know a whole lot about tarot cards, but from what I can tell, it's pretty damn accurate, as far as card meanings and interpretations go. It's much like a real tarot reading (again, from what I can tell), with you focusing on a question, and the cards set up in the proper tarot pattern. As you click on each card, it flips over, with its position's and "value"'s meaning displayed near the bottom of the screen. Again, I know practically nothing about this kind of thing, and obviously, at the very least, it's just a computer simulation, but it's eerie like horoscopes are eerie: how you choose to interpret it usually fits into your life somehow. I say nothing more about it, other than it's a good diversion.

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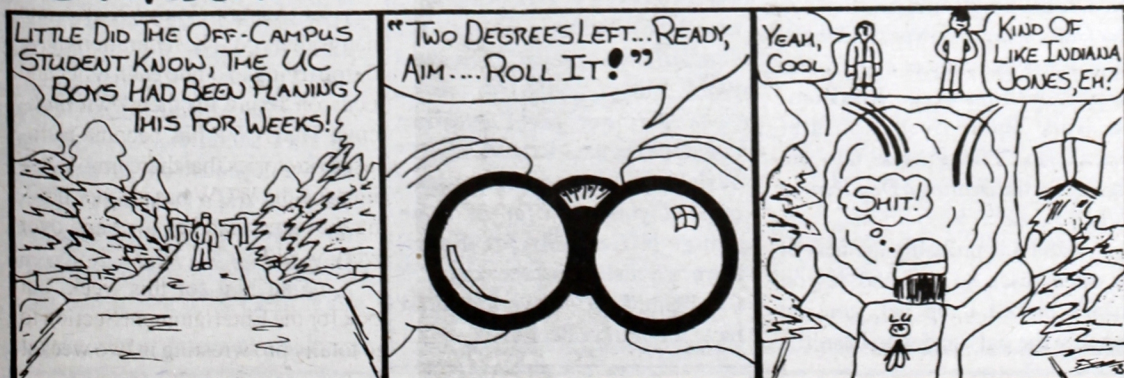
by Nick Stewart
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Well, today is special in that it is not only the first Lambda issue this year, but also in that it marks the one-year anniversary of Nickstradamus' appearance in this paper. Yes, that's right, you have been putting up with my mindless psycho-babble for an entire year. Thanks for reading...You make it all worthwhile. *sniff* NOW, back to the Horrendously and Terrifyingly Accurate Predictions for the New Year. Just remember, it's just as accurate as ol' Nostradamus' (charlatan) predictions, and it has half the yak fat!

1. I predict that a bowl of cottage cheese somewhere in North Dakota will suddenly and inexplicably become sentient and will become a world expert in the field of llama proctology.
2. I predict that the term for the leader of the United States will change from "President" to "Rockabilly Pimp Daddy".
3. I predict that the Hormonally Imbalanced Lobster Men From Mars will be hired as hit-crustaceans to kill software and rubber sex toy magnate Bill Gates, but at the last minute will spontaneously de-evolve into a small roving band of shrunken head salesmen.
4. I predict that a meteor composed entirely of Spam will slam into the Canadian Parliament building, fulfilling the Prophecy of Rotted Potato, thereby forcing all the country's politicians to give up politics, move into caves somewhere in Newfoundland and to live on a diet consisting of nothing but pointed rocks and tree sap.
5. I predict that the sport of golf will quadruple in popularity after instituting a rule that Middle Eastern countries will be allowed to sponsor individual golfers and that small nuclear arms will be allowed as offensive weapons against other players.
6. I predict that Eddie Murphy will go insane and will devour his own spleen after the horrendous box office failure of his recently starring movie, "Tupperware: The Musical".
7. I predict that the Short Fat Naked Tibetan Man will make a daring escape from his prison cell in the base of my skull, and, emerging victorious from my Not-So-Great Intestine, will rename himself JimJim the Dog-Faced Boy, and will rent out my chest cavity to Zimbabwean tourists.

OVERLOAD

BY MAT THOMPSON



Mixed Drinks of the Week

Lizard Skin - Hollow out half an orange. Fill with Brandy and light. Extinguish after a moment and drink.

Sambuca Milkshake

- 1-2 scoops ice cream
- 1 1/2 oz. Irish Cream
- 2 1/2 oz. Sambuca

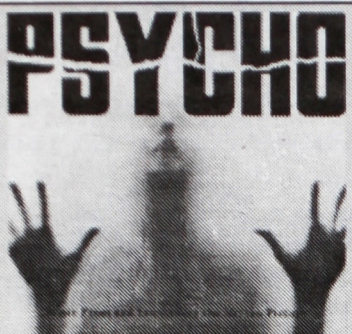
Mix 2 oz of Sambuca with other ingredients making a shake. Pour into glass, top with 1/2 oz Sambuca and light it ablaze!

Chocolate Lic (Shooter) - 1/4 Irish Cream, 3/4 Sambuca and a coffee bean in the bottom. Warm in the microwave for 15 seconds then light on fire before drinking. Don't swallow the bean!

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ALL I GOT FOR CHRISTMAS...

REVIEWS BY MAT THOMPSON, ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

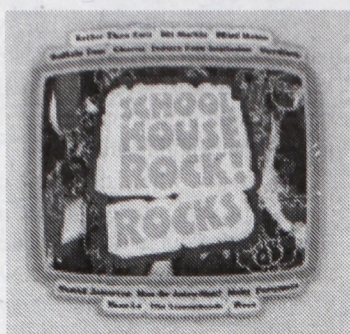


Psycho

Like to sing in the shower? Neverbefore has a soundtrack ever captured the whole essence of a movie as this one does! The music is a mixture of songs from, and songs inspired by, the remake of Psycho. Now there is a great reason to write a song: "Well, I was inspired by Norman Bates!"

The soundtrack weaves the original score in with some of the freakiest tunes around. **Lionrock**, **Steve Earle**, **Girls Against Boys**, **Pet Shop Boys** and **Howie B** all lend their own twisted twist to *Psycho*, but there are two tracks that are the epitome of perfection on this soundtrack. One, of course, is **Rob Zombie** with *Living Dead Girl*. But the best track is **Tommy Thompson's** track *Psycho*. It is the freakiest sounding acoustic folk song ever. Just picture Norman Bates playing the guitar and singing about what he has just done. If nothing else on this CD appeals to you, you at least have to listen to this track!

Psycho is available now and a must have for fans of the classic horror genre!



School House Rock Rocks

As your body grows bigger, your mind must flower. It's great to learn, 'cause knowledge is power! Now this has to be the biggest nostalgia trip ever! Who can forget learning about adjectives, the number zero and how a bill becomes a law every Saturday morning between Scooby Doo and Muppet Babies.

School House Rock Rocks lets a bunch of alternative bands remake and pay tribute to probably the greatest learning tool of the 1970's. Bands like **Blind Melon**, **Better Than Ezra**, **Moby**, **The Lemonheads** and others create their own versions of all your favorites. Almost all the classics are here including *I'm Just a Bill*, *Conjunction Junction*, *Interplanet Janet*, *Lolly, Lolly, Lolly, Get Your Adverbs Here*, *Unpack Your Adjectives* and even the original theme the way you always remember it.

So get your pajamas on, fill a bowl with Apple Jacks and sit back... It's Schoolhouse Rocky, a chip off the block, of your favorite schoolhouse, Schoolhouse Rock!



Can't Hardly Wait

Okay, even though this movie didn't do very well in theatres, it was still great! And how good is a party movie without a great soundtrack? The soundtrack in this case could easily make or break the movie, and lucky for *Can't Hardly Wait*, the soundtrack holds up.

This soundtrack has a cool mixture of alternative, dance and rock and a few classics from the '80's thrown in for some nostalgia. **Third Eye Blind**, **Smash Mouth**, **Blink 182**, **Feeder**, **Black Lab** and **The Replacements** get the party going with their infectious energy while **Busta Rhymes**, **Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliot**, and **KP & Envyi** add in the rap/dance edge. The nostalgia trip is supplied this time courtesy of **Guns N' Roses' Paradise City** and **Run DMC's It's Tricky**. Two vastly different, yet classic tunes.

If you haven't seen *Can't Hardly Wait*, check it out on video and I bet you will definitely want the soundtrack once you see it!



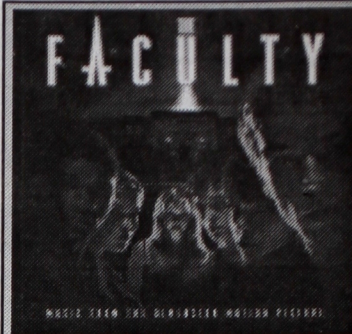
Godzilla

Sure, this movie sucked worse than everything Kevin Costner has done put together, but it has a killer soundtrack. There are remixes, remakes, returns and just plain rock!

How could you go wrong with bands like **Foo Fighters**, **Green Day**, **Rage Against the Machine**, **Days of the New**, **Silverchair** and **Fuel**? There is also tracks by **Jamiroquai**, **Michael Penn** and **Ben Folds Five**, but it is the first two tracks that are the best. I know that the song has been beat to death by Q92, but the **Wallflowers'** remake of **David Bowie's Heroes** is amazing. Finally people are showing the respect to Bowie that he deserves!

Track Two has to win the strangest duet award as it features **Puff Daddy** and **Jimmy Page**. The track *Come With Me* makes me almost forget about all the stealing... I mean sampling Puff has been doing.

There are a lot of soundtracks out there trying to be the best, and *Godzilla* is a sure contender for your money!

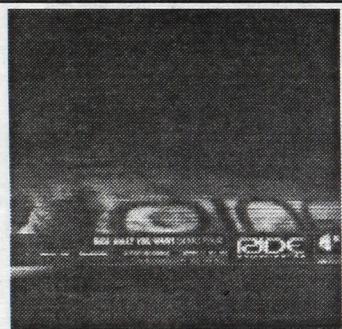


The Faculty

So what do you do for music when you have a movie about students rebelling against teachers who are from another planet? You group together some of the biggest groups you can, and try to get them to remake some of the classic youth-angst anthems of the past.

Groups like **The Offspring**, **Garbage**, **Stabbing Westward**, **Oasis**, and **Sheryl Crow** all try to break through with original tunes, but it is the remakes that really shine. Both **Alice Cooper's** classics *I'm Eighteen* (**Creed**) and *School's Out* (**Soul Asylum**) are suitably included along with *Another Brick in the Wall* performed by **Class of '99**. The best remake on the disc though would have to be *Mr. Lullaby*, **Shawn Mullins'** version of the **Bowie** classic *Changes*. It almost makes up for the torturous overplaying of *Lullaby* every five minutes on the radio.

The *Faculty* Soundtrack really works with its set theme and great music. It is a great throwback to classic rock... with a modern twist.



Ride What You Want

Jumping on the huge snowboarding wave that has caught on ever since Canada toked their way to the gold medal at the Olympics, *Ride Snowboards* with **Geffen** and **Rob Zombie's Zombie-A-Go-Go Records** have released one of many snowboarder compilations. What is a snowboarder compilation? Just a bunch of up tempo alternative music to get high... I mean air on.

This compilation has a very diverse mix of bands and sounds. There is rock, metal, dance, techno and of course, **Rob Zombie**. What is a compilation or soundtrack without **Rob Zombie**? The man is everywhere! Other groups featured on this disc include **Buck Cherry**, **Home Grown**, **Eels**, **The Crystal Method**, **DJ Spooky**, **Propellerheads**, **Hayden**, **The Ghastly Ones**, **Phantom Planet** and others. All in all there are 16 tracks all ready to make you wish you were strapped to a piece of wood and flying down a hill suffering from the munchies.

This is a good compilation to get, especially if you are sick of the *Big Shiny Now Hits*!



Rare and Brilliant Vol. 2 - Retro 80's

For those of us who grew up listening to the bands of the 80's, these one hit wonder discs are the greatest! Where else would you find most of the classic gems that disappeared along with their bands over a decade ago?

Rare and Brilliant Vol. 2 has collected another sixteen classic hits from bands that no one can remember the names of. Do you remember **The Flying Lizards**, **The Vapors** or **Timbuk 3**? No, well they sang *Money*, *Turning Japanese* and *The Future's So Bright, I Gotta Wear Shades*. Even though the bands weren't big, all these songs were. The disc includes *Died in Your Arms*, *Spirit in the Sky*, *Election Day*, *Love Changes Everything*, *I Touch Myself* and many other obscure hits from not so famous bands. Another great thing about this disc is the booklet includes a small blurb about each band so you can find out what happened to them, or who the hell they were.

Fans of the 80's will love this disc and should get it as soon as possible!



Big Shiny Tunes 3

What started off as just another new compilation from **MuchMusic** has become an annual event for music lovers. That's right, those **Big Shiny Tunes** have returned once again to try to bring some of today's most popular music to the cash registers. This is the third installment which has a lot to make up for after **BST2**.

This time around there is a wider array of music so the songs don't blend into one big alterna-haze. Sure there is the usual stuff like **The Smashing Pumpkins**, **Fastball**, **Garbage**, **Sloan** and **Big Wreck** but there are surprises. **Monster Magnet** brings a metal edge to the disc while **Lenny Kravitz** and **Placebo** cover the trippy edge. **The Matthew Good Band**, **Semisonic**, and the **Goo Goo Dolls** bring a slower style to the cut and just like almost every other CD I reviewed this week... **Rob Zombie**. Talk about over-exposure! *Dragula* and *Living Dead Girl* are heading for the *Beating a Dead Horse Hall of Fame*!

BST3 is probably the best of the three discs so far, and if you haven't picked it up yet, you are probably the only one who hasn't!



Bone Thugs-N-Harmony - The Collection

Although all the members of **Bone Thugs** are off doing solo projects and appearing on any other CD that they can, along with **Ruthless Records** they have released their first collection of hits simply called *The Collection*.

The Collection features fourteen tracks of the best of **Bone Thugs**. There are remixes, alternative versions and original mixes of some of their best tracks. The album features *Foe Tha Love of \$*, *Shoot 'Em Up*, *Days of Our Livez*, *Crossroad*, *Thuggish Ruggish Bone* and others that are sure to satisfy all the **Bone Thugs'** fans. The two best tracks on the album have to be the remixes of *If I Could Teach the World* and the classic *War*.

Another great addition would be the late **Eric "Easy-E" Wright** featured on *Foe the Love of \$*. If you are a fan of **Bone Thugs-N-Harmony**, although there are really no new songs on the album, *The Collection* is a must have for your collection.



Tom Cochrane - Xray Sierra

For a man who hasn't had a hit since *Life is a Highway*, **Tom Cochrane** is still releasing discs with the intent of hitting it big once again before the new millennium. So does *Xray Sierra* stand a chance? I think so. It has been almost ten years since his last hit, so Tom is due!

Sounding an awful lot like **Bob Dylan** and looking conspicuously like **Stephan** on **General Hospital**, **Tom Cochrane** has finally recorded another good disc. The first track, *I Wonder*, has already shot up the charts and all the major radio stations are playing it to death. I actually never new it was **Cochrane** who sang the song until I put the disc in. Of course I thought I had the wrong disc at first, but then I noticed it was right.

The whole disc has that classic rock sound that **Cochrane** has always depended on. All the tracks are great and a must hear for anyone who ever found themselves singing *Life is a Highway* at some point this decade.

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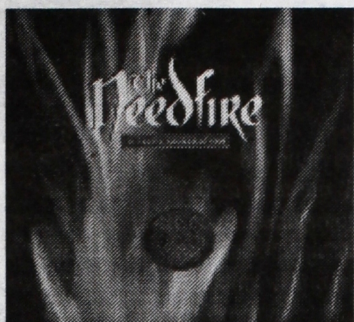


Faith Hill - FAITH

Forget about Shania Twain. Faith Hill has to be the most talented and beautiful woman in country music today. Shania could learn a few things from Faith. FAITH is the newest release from the recently married true queen of country.

FAITH is an amazing showcase of Faith Hill's true talents. She jumps from upbeat modern country, to classic sounds, to heart-wrenching ballads. There is nothing that she can't sing. The track *This Kiss* has been the most popular so far, but her duet with now husband Tim McGraw, *Just To Hear You Say You Love Me*, has to be the crowning jewel of the album. This is a true love song that puts all the rest to shame. There is even a track that was written by Sheryl Crow (*Somebody Stand By Me*).

Country music doesn't get the respect that it deserves and I think that this album could turn even the most skeptical listener around. FAITH is available now and a great addition to your collection.



The Needfire - A Celtic Celebration

The Needfire is a touring dance and song show much like *Lord of the Dance* and *Riverdance* except it isn't so damn annoying. Here is an excerpt from the CD booklet that defines it best:

"The Needfire grows from the story of John Michael, a talkative old character from one of the many small fishing coves scattered along Canada's Atlantic coast. To honor a community tradition... John Michael is reluctantly participating in the ancient ritual of the Needfire. It was a Celtic tradition... at the coming of the Spring Equinox, to extinguish every fire in a community. And then one designated person would kindle a single, new flame - The Needfire."

The music collected on this disc represents the songs that come out of the stories that John Michael tells as he awaits the Needfire. This is one of the best collections of pure Celtic music around. It includes songs by The Ennis Sisters, The Irish Descendants, Mary Jane Lamond, John McDermont and many others. Celtic fans will find *The Needfire* a real treat!



Garth Brooks - Double Live

So how much money does this man really need. Sure he is one of the greatest country stars of all time, but it is getting to the point where enough is enough! In the last year he has released *Sevens*, a box set of his first six albums and now *Double Live*. And if that isn't enough for you, he also has a Greatest Hits album available, and for the true fan, there was a Hits CD only available at McDonalds about four years back. So what is new about this album? Other than cheering fans and 3 never released tracks, not to much.

With *Double Live* you get all the old standards, a few not so big tunes and a few new ones. Funny thing is I only see one new song. Sure there are longer versions of *Friends in Low Places* and *The Thunder Rolls*, but the duet with Trisha Yearwood (*Wild as the Wind*) is the only brand new track.

Fans of Garth will of course rush out and get this disc, but if you have the old discs, there is no real need to get this one too! Especially at \$34.99!

Sick Joke of the Week

A guy walks into a bar, orders a beer and sets a paper bag on the bar. Several beers later, the curious bartender asked what was in the bag. Without a word, the customer reached in and pulled out a miniature piano, then a small man, about a foot tall, who sat down at the piano and began to bang out rhythm and blues.

"Wow, where'd you get that?" the bartender asked.

"I found a bottle," the customer explained. "When I rubbed it, a genie popped out and granted me one wish. I have it here if you want to give it a try."

The bartender quickly grabbed the bottle and rubbed it. Sure enough, a genie popped out. "I want a million bucks," the bartender demanded quickly. All of a sudden the bar filled with a ducks... a million of them. "Hey, I said bucks not ducks! What is wrong with this genie?"

"I don't know friend," the man answered. "But you don't really think I asked for a 12-inch pianist do you?"

Our Lambda Horoscope

by Aurora B. Allies
Contributor

Here is your Lambda Horoscope from our resident psychic for the New Year!

Aries (March 21-April 19):

You haven't been feeling yourself over the past few months which is good because you can get made fun of in residence for things like that! You have boundless amounts of energy on reserve which will help you to get a head in the new year. Just try to lay off the prozac and pancake breakfasts.

Taurus (April 20-May 20):

You have been off balance for the last year, but now that you've run out of beer money, walking a straight line isn't so hard. January and February will prove to be very consecutive and easy to follow.

Gemini (May 21-June 20):

The twins are not lovers of snow and ice, so head for warmth. If you can't make it to a warmer climate, a little rum, the partner of your choice and a tanning bed can have some of the same effects. Just make sure you have protection. I recommend SPF 30!

Cancer (June 21-July 22):

You aren't happy with the way 1998 went and it's time to clean house.

You may even find that pizza from Frosh Week you lost! Once summer hits, the stars will shine bright on you. Just make sure you switch positions once and a while so your partner can see the stars too.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22):

Mood swings will be as common for you as breathing! Those of you born between July 30-Aug. 7 should prepare yourselves for at least one attempt on your life by someone close to you. Don't rule anyone out. Beware the Ides of February! Et tu Bosak?

Virgo (Aug 23-Sept 22):

You have been blessed with good fortune and everyone has noticed. To bad you haven't told your parents about the pregnancy yet! Virgos are especially potent this next month so steer clear of alcohol and UC!

Libra (Sept 23-Oct 22):

Everything is new for you this year. Too bad classes started in September! Nevertheless, 1999 will prove to be another stepping stone, just remember all those you had to step on to get where you are. They won't forget either!

Scorpio (Oct 23-Nov 21):

Your life is settling around you and if you don't pay attention, decisions

will be made for you. Basically, in 1999, you should both shit, and get off the pot!

Sagittarius (Nov 22-Dec 21):

It's your favourite time of the year, you know the months start back at the numbers you know best 1, 2, C. No matter what, you know you will always have your looks. And if those go... well... you are in serious trouble!

Capricorn (Dec 22-Jan 19):

Mars is in your sign which gives you the power of peanut butter and chocolate. Just beware of anything that flies for the next two months. Remember that old couple that were killed by those evil sparrows? It was true. A friend of a friend told me that they saw it happen!

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb 18):

Aquarians never stop trying to be on top. But is that where you really want to be? Sometimes it's fun to be on the bottom and let the other person do all the work.

Pisces (Feb 19-March 20)

The Y2K bug is starting to freak you out, but once you come to grips with it, it will be just like all those other bugs you have. A little topical cream may help too!

YOU HEARD ME!

Available at your local beer store.

Skewed News Briefs

by Nick Stewart
Asst. Entertainment Editor

Lewinsky Stars In Own Sitcom

Following her fame that has arisen from the present presidential scandal, Monica Lewinsky has been given her own television show on the WB Network. The new show, "The Witless Ditz Hour", will premiere Thursday night following another WB hit, "Martin Lawrence is a Hideously Unfunny Guy". Warner Bros. executives could not be reached for comment, but have released a press statement, saying that they "wanted to give Miss Lewinsky a show that was fitting for someone of her class and intellect".

Record Snowfall Ravages Ontario

In recent weeks, Ontario has been brutalized by a snowfall such as the province has not seen in ages. Weather experts are not entirely certain what the cause of the immense snowfall is, but say that it has something to do with "all the white stuff falling from the sky".

Confusion Wracks Microsoft Trial

A strange new development arose in the Microsoft-Department of Justice trial today. While delivering testimony that his company was not monopolizing the personal computer market with its highly popular and devastating buggy Windows 95, Bill Gates suffered a system error, and was forced to reboot. The presiding judge patiently waited a half hour for Gates to restart, but discovered that Gates' system registry had lost vital information. The trial was then adjourned for the week as surgeons desperately went to work on Gates in an attempt to recover the data.

Random Uses for Unconscious People

Found In Your House After New Year's Eve

by Nick Stewart
Asst. Entertainment Editor

Use #192: Decapitate them, and put their head on a spike, and put the spike in your front lawn. Leave it there as a warning to future Would-Be Lecherous Party-Goers. If the police ask you about it, blame it on the millennium bug or something.

Use #5364: Cover them with honey and then plaster them with bird feathers, bits of fruit and as much lubricant as you can find. When they wake up and ask what happened, give them disgusting looks and tell them that you'd rather not repeat it, but that the police are looking to arrest them. As they are about to leave, mention that some big fat hairy guy called Bubba said that next time it'll be his turn to "bring the gerbil", and refuse to say anything else.

Use #998779: Surgically graft the family cat to their forehead. When they wake up, tell them that if you ever catch them without the cat on their head, that you're going to release the Polaroids you took of them with Bubba. Refer everything you have to say to the cat.

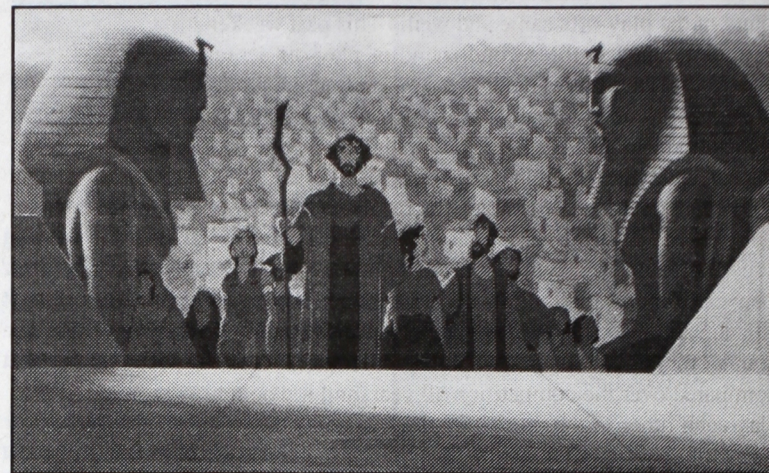
THE PRINCE OF EGYPT

by Jeff Manners
Staff Writer

Well, 'tis the season to be chilly. A Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year from Mr. Review here. I hope the holiday season held nothing but the best for you and yours. I myself had a very wonderful holiday. Quiet, long, and spent with family. My three favorite things. But enough about me.

I don't think I've ever seen an animated film that held my attention from the moment I walked in until the moment I left. Never, that is, until I saw *The Prince of Egypt*. It is one of the best movies, animated or not, that I have ever seen. The cast, the special effects, the message, all of these things combine together to create a show for young and old alike.

The movie begins with a woman in ancient Egypt, during the time when the Pharaoh demanded all babies be killed to control the population of Hebrews. She hides her baby in a small basket and sends it down the river. It is discovered by the Queen of the Egyptians, who takes it in as her own. The baby grows up to be Moses. **Val Kilmer** (*The Ghost and the Darkness*, *The Saint*) provides the voice for Moses, a typical teenage boy more interested in getting into trouble and having fun than he is being a prince. He also likes to get his brother, Ramses, into trouble. Played by **Ralph Fiennes** (*The Avengers*), Ramses is to be the next Pharaoh, the King of Egypt. Moses, destined to be the prince, discovers his true identity, and flees his home. The rest, as they say, is history.



The cast of *The Prince of Egypt* is incredible. Such people as **Patrick Stewart** (*Star Trek*, *the Next Generation*), who plays Pharaoh Seti, **Sandra Bullock** (*Speed I and II*) as Moses' real sister Miriam, **Jeff Goldblum** (*The Fly*) as his brother Aaron, **Michelle Pfeiffer** as Tziporah, **Danny Glover** as Jethro, and **Martin Short & Steve Martin** as the hilarious magicians Huy and Hotep. These incredibly talented people bring the characters to life. My self appointed task during the movie was to try and figure out who was doing each character. I had the Pharaoh, Miriam, Aaron, and Jethro, but the others had me stumped.

Now, don't forget the special effects. Special effects? In a cartoon? Oh yeah, the computer animation and drawings that were used in this movie were spectacular. Pay special attention to the falling of the Sphinx's nose, the burning bush, the part with the Red Sea at the end. Unbelievable.

Now, I wouldn't be a good

Christian if I ended without saying something about the message. Now, it doesn't matter if you're Catholic, Protestant, Jewish, or Baptist, or maybe even Atheist. There is so much that this movie has, that if you chose not to take in the message it is relaying, then that is up to you. But it is a great adaptation of the story of Moses in the book of Exodus, and I think it really teaches kids about life and acceptance.

This movie is rated PG, which sounds high for an animated film, but there are some scenes that you might want to be there for to explain, such as the Passover segment. All in all, this is a spectacular film, and receives a **9 out of 10** from me. I'm going out to by all three soundtracks, and then the movie as soon as it is released to video. It is a great idea for any parents who are looking for films that don't have massive amounts of violence and inappropriate language and themes. Go see *The Prince of Egypt*, I promise you won't be disappointed.



by Mat Thompson
Entertainment Editor

I have heard so many complaints about this movie. Some people want to know why the movie was even made. Some want to know why it was so cheesy. And everyone wants to know what is up with exiting the car on the passenger side. Well, it's pretty simple. *Psycho* was remade as a tribute to one of the greatest horror films of all time.

Everything in this movie comes down to the fact that **Gus Van Sant** wanted to recreate, not update the original *Psycho*. Every camera angle, movement, word and sound were mirror images to the original. Van Sant did not set out to recreate the movie with new murders, scenes or lines. He wanted to bring a new version to today's horror fans.

I have seen the original movie about fifty times and was

excited to see the new one. My girlfriend had never even heard the story of *Psycho* so that added to the movie knowing that she was seeing something completely new. Even though I knew the whole story, I was excited about this version. **Gus Van Sant** did the best thing he could do with *Psycho*. He stuck with the genius of **Alfred Hitchcock** and didn't change a thing.

Vince Vaughn, although not the biggest name in Hollywood was the perfect man for the role of Norman Bates. His overall demeanor just screamed *Psycho*! He didn't even need to say anything in some scenes for you to know that things were going crazy inside his head. The best scene had to be the end when he is sitting in the cell. He doesn't say a thing, but the different emotions and expressions on his face scare the hell out of everyone watching.

The other actors in the movie did great jobs. There was no real star

power involved. Instead of casting people like Arnold or Julia Roberts,



Van Sant picked people who suited the roles. **Anne Heche**, **Juillanne Moore**, **William H. Macy** and the others were all perfect for the roles. Even **Flea** got in the act with a small, almost invisible role. So what was the biggest problem people had with this movie? Probably the fact that it wasn't a blood bath, teenage slasher flick. I know everyone wanted to see another *I Don't Know What You Did Last Summer* and *I Don't Care* movie, but *Psycho* is beyond that. This is what horror movies used to be. They were smart, suspenseful, and you never forget them. Nowadays horror movies are just assembly line *Harlequin Horrors*.

I know everyone who watched the movie is wondering the same thing as I did. Why the hell did everyone exit their cars through the passenger side. It bothered me until **Nick Stewart** came up with the most obvious answer. In the original movie they do the same thing and when that

movie was made, there were no sweeping shots with moving cameras and trick photography. Most of the shots in this movie were made from stationary cameras and when cars pulled up to the cameras, a person getting out on the camera side would create a strange camera angle and even block most of the screen. So when they got out on the other side of the car, all the action in the scene was still there, captured perfectly. I just thought Hitchcock had a phobia about getting out of his car the proper way, but Nick's idea makes more sense.

I know a lot of people were very disappointed with the *Psycho* remake, but I don't think it was made for a mass audience. I think **Gus Van Sant** set out to bring a great movie to those out there that were huge movie buffs and could appreciate what he had done. I loved the remake... especially when my girlfriend screamed!

Home Teams Have the Advantage In Title Games

by Christian Mellin

Staff Writer

The last time I wrote my column, the play-off picture was more than a little fuzzy. Over the Christmas break the regular season ended and the first round of the play-offs came and went. This past weekend four more teams were eliminated in the second round of play-off action. In the NFC, the Arizona Cardinals bowed out to the power house Vikings of Minnesota, and Atlanta continued their great season by defeating the San Francisco 49ers. Meanwhile, in the AFC Denver made the Miami Dolphins look like a disorganized high school team in a lop-sided victory. The Jets got past the Jaguars in a game that was plagued by errors on both sides.

What this means, is that after this weekend the match-up for the Superbowl will be decided. I predict that this years game will be between Denver Broncos and the Minnesota Vikings. With all due respect to both Atlanta, and New York, I feel that a Denver/Minnesota match-up would be grander for the last Superbowl of this millennium. Both of these teams have dominated over the competition all year, and it would be great to see them play each other in the most important game of the year. There are many interesting stories such as the fact that, just like Denver the year before, Minnesota has a chance to shake off the demons of the past and win a Superbowl title after coming out empty handed in three previous tries.

Atlanta at Minnesota

The Minnesota Vikings ended the season at 15-1, one win better than the surprising 14-2 Atlanta Falcons. Minnesota has the home field advantage in this game, which plays into their favour considerably. This season their record was 9-0 at home, and they outscored their opponents by an average margin of twenty-three points. They also set a mark for team scoring and also broke several individual records along the way.

Although Atlanta had the best year in the history of their club, most predict that a Superbowl birth is out of the question in light of the Vikings' dominating season. The offensive fire power of the Vikings will simply overpower the Atlanta Falcons. This game marks the first indoor NFC title game. In addition, no Dome team has ever gone on to the Superbowl before this year (both Atlanta and Minnesota play in domed stadiums). As a team Atlanta lacks play-off experience, whereas Minnesota is full of seasoned veterans who are hungry for a trip to the Superbowl after coming close numerous times in recent years. As an organization the Viking are hurting for a chance to win the Superbowl after losing three times in the 1970's.

I really feel bad for the Atlanta Falcons because they really played well all season. They defeated the 49ers three times on their way to the upcoming conference title game. They fully deserve to go to the Superbowl; however, Minnesota is just too good.

NY Jets at Denver

Just after the Superbowl last year many people called for John Elway to hang up his cleats. The seasoned veteran had finally won his first Superbowl, evidently completing his Hall of Fame career. His response to this suggestion was an adamant "no". In fact he indicated that he felt that the Broncos could make a serious run at another Superbowl, and he wanted to be a part of that. Many people second guessed that decision; however after a magical season the Broncos are once again in the hunt for a Superbowl title. John Elway played well all season when he was healthy, and when he wasn't Bubby Brister went 4-0 as a replacement starter. Overall, Denver went undefeated in the first thirteen games before losing two of their last three. The Broncos dominated over their division on route to a first round bye.

The NY Jets on the other hand, survived the dogfight that is the AFC East. Easily the toughest division in the NFL this season, the Jets are the only remaining representative of the East. Buffalo and New England exited early in the first round, and as previously mentioned Miami was overwhelmed by the Broncos last weekend. In my opinion, the Jets were lucky to even make the play-offs. If it wasn't for a bad call by the Refs in a game against Seattle earlier this season than the play-off picture could have been completely different. This is really a moot point because it is arbitrary that the Broncos are going to the Superbowl. So I guess it really doesn't matter that the Jets fluked their way in.

One Final Note...

Overall my prediction record came in at 86-27, which amounts to a winning percentage of 76%.

I managed to keep my job after a rocky start, and I improved my record to a level that real Celebrity Forecasters are envious of. On a personal note, (my team) the Raiders faded from the play-off picture a little later than most people expected. They played fairly well until the final few weeks of the season. Once they lost to Washington they faded faster than Vanilla Ice's Music career.

As a final thought I would like to add that I think that the NFL should seriously consider bringing back the instant replay; because evidently the Refs need all the help they can get!

OUA Sports Briefs

by Ryan Hanna
Sports Editor

Double Gold Finish a Rarity

Chris Robinson was the only competitor to earn two gold medals in the Don Wright Team Challenge this weekend. His first place finishes came in the triple jump and the long jump. These accomplishments make him the first OUA Male Athlete of the Week for 1999.

Robinson is a fourth year Science student from Brockville, Ontario.

Back to Back Shutouts a Blessing for Gaels

Claudia Tom recorded back to back shutouts as the Queen's Golden Gaels recorded consecutive shutouts over the Windsor Lancers, defeating them 4-0 on Saturday and 3-0 on Sunday. Both games were played at Windsor, and Tom faced fifty-one shots over both games. The wins also propelled the Gaels ahead of York in the Women's Hockey standings. Understandably, Tom is the new OUA Female Athlete of the Week.

Tom is a native of Richmond, British Columbia, a suburb of Vancouver. She is a first year Life Sciences student at Queen's.

Almighty UQTR Falls in Men's Hockey Standings

In spite of a 6-1 win over Concordia on Friday, number one ranked Trois-Rivieres has fallen behind the Ottawa Gee-Gee's in the Far East Division of OUA Men's Hockey.

Ottawa picked up a single point over UQTR as a result a 5-2 win over Queen's and an 8-2 win over RMC. The Patriotes have been idle since their win on Friday, giving Ottawa twenty-four points over fifteen games, while Trois-Rivieres has twenty-three points over fourteen games.



Voyageur Athletes of the Week



Harrison Makes Return Appearance

Stephanie Harrison had a strong performance in the Lady Vees' wins in Montreal. She was the high scorer in both games, scoring twenty-four points against McGill and thirty-two points against Concordia. Thus, she is the LU Female Athlete of the Week for the second time this season.

Harrison is a fourth year Lady Vee, studying Human Kinetics at Laurentian. She is originally from St. Catharines, where she played volleyball and basketball for Governor Simcoe Secondary School. The 6'3" Centre has been a dominating force for the Vees in the past few seasons.

Donglemans Gets More Attention

Ted Donglemans led the Basketball Vees in scoring in their win over the McGill Redmen on Saturday. His twenty-four points in the game, coupled with fifteen more on Sunday makes him the new LU Male Athlete of the Week. This is his second appearance in this column this year.

Donglemans is a third year Computer Science student, and hails from Orillia. He began playing basketball at Orillia CVI. The 6'10" third year Vee gained notoriety during last season's OUA East playoffs, where he was one of the leaders in the Laurentian victory. He was an All-Canadian last season, winning the EC LeBel Plaque for the most All-Star votes from the East Division.

Leading Scorer Gets Some Respect

Blair Sherrit led the Hockey Vees with nine goals and five assists going into the Christmas break. He added a goal and two assists in the Vees' loss to Brock in their final game before the holidays. As a result of this, he was the LU Male Athlete of the Week before the break.

Sherrit is a second year Law and Justice student, and a veteran of the Vees. He is a native of Sudbury.

Cross-Country Vet has Success on the Oval

Jennifer Scott placed third in the one thousand metre event and the Windsor Open on December 6th. She also had a twelfth place finish in the six hundred metre race. These placements earned her the LU MVP title, and would vault her on to the pages of *Lambda* as the LU Female Athlete of the Week.

Scott is a Biomedical Physics student who has aspirations of entering the medical profession as a doctor. Her home town is the spacious Region of Sudbury.

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by Takis Zervas
Columnist

Bote nayo (greetings in Lingala) my soccer friends. I hope your holidays were enjoyable and memorable, while your examinations were, well ... predictable. Nevertheless, soccer is back and the news is racking in. Much has happened over the break. Let us not delay.

Reports from the **Democratic Republic of Congo** have stated that all eleven players from a village team had been killed by a lightning bolt during a game. More than thirty fans at the match, which was played in the province of Eastern Kasai, were said to have been injured by the bolt. This was almost a mirror image of the incident which occurred in South Africa, where several players were hit by lightning during the match between **Jomo Cosmos** and the **Moroka Swallows**. The match was abandoned and the two most seriously injured players were taken to the hospital. Voodoo is said to be at fault.

Republic of Ireland side

Limerick boast not only a priest a chairman, but also have the League's first-ever female coach. Siobhan Furlong, who has won twenty-eight caps (times played in the starting squad) with the Republic's Ladies' Team, has received a very positive reaction from the players, according to Limerick chief Father Joe Young.

In Florence, **Italy**, Father Christopher Zielinski has put up a prayer on behalf of **Fiorentina**, who are threatened with punishment from the UEFA following the abandonment of their UEFA Cup match against **Grasshopper** of Switzerland after a fireworks throwing incident. The priest's divine appeal for leniency was made during a mass for the family of Fiorentina Club President Vittorio Cocchi Gori.

Speaking of violence, at least one person was killed and several others injured in the **Democratic Republic of Congo** when soldiers opened fire on a section of the crowd at a soccer game in Kinshasa on Saturday. The game, a playoff match for the national league title was delayed

for eight minutes while soldiers cleared out the wounded and other fans fled. It was not immediately clear what sparked the incident. Congo's military has instituted a crackdown ever since civil war broke out in August.

In the **United States**, Bruce Arena, the new head coach of the national team says that the team needs to rebuild with young players from the Major League of Soccer. "We need a new base. All players are eligible, but we need to build with the MLS," said Arena, who has spent the past three seasons as head coach of **DC United** in the MLS.

The curtain has come down on a remarkable season in **China**, with **Dalian Wanda** winning the Championship for the fourth time in its five year history, and then being put up for sale. There was also a major match fighting scandal.

Mario Kempes, the former **Argentine** international striker (World Cup 1978), has signed as coach to **Venezuela's Mineros de Guyana**. Kempes had coached an

Albanian squad previously, which he abandoned due to national unrest and money laundering.

That's the beef on this week's **World Soccer News** and the first of the year for 1999. Hold your breath for next week's article.

International Soccer Scores: Cup Winners' Cup:

Lazio (ITA) 0 Partizan B. (YUG) 0
Genk (BEL) 1 Mallorca (SPA) 1
Panionios (GRE) 3 Apollon L (CYP) 2

World Cup Qualifier: Africa:

Nigeria 6 Cameroon 0
Ghana 4 Republic of Congo 1

English Cup:

Charlton 1 Leicester 2
Liverpool 3 Fullham 1

Quote of the Week in the Soccer World:

"A footballer wants to win every game. If not, then they should find a new occupation."
-(French International Lilian Thuram).

World Soccer News

* LU Intramurals *

Cross Country Skiing

by Aaron Prieur and Dan Cormick
Contributors

Do you love snow? Love cross country skiing? You won't want to miss Laurentian University's Intramural Cross Country Skiing Event. The fun will commence on Friday, February 5th at 1pm at the Stadium. The registration for this event will take place from Monday, January 11th to Friday, January 22nd.

This event is free for any-

one who would like to participate and a limited number of ski rentals will be available at a price of two dollars per person. Prizes, refreshments, and a great time will be had by all. For any additional information please call 671-6175.

No matter what you're cross country skiing experience, if you want to lose that "Christmas Twenty" or enjoy a beautiful Sudbury winter day, come on out and have a great time!!!

Water Polo

by Jenifer Meredith
Contributor

Are you looking for some more adventure in your life? Come out and get involved in Laurentian University's Co-Ed Intramural Innertube Water Polo Tournament to be held on the weekend of February 27th and 28th at the Olympic Gold Pool. This unique and innovative event will provide teams of LU students and faculty with the opportunity to slip into an innertube and battle for the prestigious title of CHAMPION and the right to hoist the trophy above their heads. Prizes have been donated by a variety of

area businesses and will be up for grabs for deserving competitors.

Registration will be held in the Active Living Office of the Ben Avery Physical Education Centre from February 8th to 12th. There is currently room in the tournament for eight teams consisting of ten to fifteen players. Teams must include a minimum of two females to be eligible for competition. Registration cost is only twenty dollars, so sign up soon so that you won't be disappointed and left on the sidelines!

For more information, contact 669-0179 or the Intramural Office at 675-1151, ext. 1018.

New Info-Line

by Sarah Haight and Leslie Bourget
Staff Writers

Looking for some answers about your intramural event? Check out the new info-line! How it works: Intramural athletes and spectators can call the Info-line to find out about the date, time, and locations of intramu-

ral events in the upcoming week.

Weekly schedules, cancellations or game revisions will also be posted. Information will be updated weekly on Monday and Friday. Don't be left off the hook! Call the Info-Line today!! The number to call is 673-6528.

Get Smashin'

by Leslie Bourget and Sarah Haight

Staff Writers

Once again Intramural Volleyball has arrived. Registration dates run from January 11th to January 15th. Games will be held in the Ben Avery

building and at the Teachers College every Tuesday and Thursday night from 9pm until Midnight starting February 9th. There will be a twenty dollar fee for each team that enters.

Banff Mountain Film Festival Approaches

by Mike Etele
Contributor

The LU Outdoor Adventure Leadership Program and the Sudbury Hiking Club are proud to host the *Best of Banff Mountain Film Festival*, on Tuesday, January 19th. Advance tickets are ten dollars, and tickets will also be available at the door for twelve dollars. Advance tickets can be purchased at the LU Department of Active Living, the Outside Store, Pinnacle Sports, and Rock's. For more information, contact the Department of Active Living at 675-1151, extension 1001 or 1002.

Hockey Vees Drop Pre-Christmas Finale

by Ryan Hanna
Sports Editor

The Hockey Vees missed their final chance at a third win before the holiday break with a 9-6 loss to the Brock Badgers on December 3rd.

Martin Robert led the Vees with two goals, and Blair Sherret was the LU Player of the Game with a goal and two assists. Chris Tomljanovich, Derron Croteau, and Robbie Jones rounded out the scorers for the Vees with single goals in the lopsided affair. All of the nine Brock goals were single tallies, each recorded by a different player.

Goalie Jarrett Rose was credited with the Vees' loss, and was pulled late in the second period. Lyle Zulak was put between the pipes, finishing the game for LU.

The Hockey Vees' next game was on January 3rd at Northern Michigan. The Vees lost the exhibition match 9-2. Regular season play resumed Saturday, January 9th at Sudbury Arena when Laurentian took on Toronto.

Track Sides Begin Season

by Ryan Hanna
Sports Editor

The Men's and Women's Track Teams kicked off their season on December 5th at the Western open.

Shane Rosati led the Men's side with a gold medal in the long jump, an eleventh place finish in the sixty metre event and a twentieth place finish in the three hundred metre event. Rosati was the LU Men's MVP for his solid performance.

Pat Hillman also had a gold medal finish for the Vees, winning the fifteen hundred metre event. John Thompson was close on his heels with a bronze finish in the same event.

Jen Scott was the MVP for the Lady Vees, with a bronze medal finish in the one thousand metre competition, and a twelfth place finish in the six hundred metre event.

Other notable performers from the Lady Vees included Lynne Perron with a second place finish in the fifteen hundred metre race, and Krista Bolyea with a fourth place finish in the same event.

The track teams from LU are next in action at the Windsor Can-Am Classic Open, January 15th and 16th. Good luck, and try to win some medals.

Quebec Kind to Lady Vees

by Ryan Hanna
Sports Editor

The Lady Vees carried their perfect regular season record into Montreal this weekend, defeating McGill 60-44 on Friday, and Concordia 81-70. This brings the Lady Vees' record to 7-0 on the season.

The victory over McGill was led by Stephanie Harrison with sixteen points. Jill Eccles pitched in for eleven points, rounding out the Lady Vees in double digits.

On Monday, Shauna Conway had some comments about the opener against McGill. "We came out pretty well. We had to get the cobwebs out, considering it was the first game we'd played together in five, almost six weeks. We came out with the same goals we've had since the beginning;

run the ball, and generate some secondary offense."

The defeat of Concordia was a big win for the Lady Vees. Stephanie Harrison recorded thirty-two points from the field, and seven rebounds. Karen Vos added twelve points of her own, and Chantal Gregoire put in ten.

Conway described the win over Concordia this way: "They came out tough, but we expected that because they were ranked ninth. We did a good job of maximizing our minutes on the court, and we used our subs. That helps us because we're so deep. We can afford to play into our bench because of our depth."

The Lady Vees go into Toronto to play the U of T Varsity Blues. Good luck, and try to come back with some boards.

Basketball Vees Still Undefeated

by Ryan Hanna
Sports Editor

The Basketball Vees' road trip to Montreal was worth the bus ride, as LU came away without a loss. The Vees defeated the McGill Redmen 84-67 on Saturday, and took out the Concordia Stingers 83-71 on Sunday.

The defeat of the Redmen was led by Ted Donglemans, who scored twenty-four points. Clifton Edwards added eighteen points during the

game, and Leon Sutton scored fourteen.

On Sunday, Edwards and Dwayne Burton both scored a team high nineteen points, while Ted Donglemans put in fifteen points.

The Vees hope to keep their win streak alive as they prepare to take on the U of T Varsity Blues. The game will be played on Saturday, January 16th in Toronto. Good luck, and try to keep your roll alive.

OUA Set for World University Games

OUA - Ontario University Athletics Released the names [December 1st] of the twenty-six hockey players that will be invited to the training camp in preparation for the World University Games. The 1999 Canadian Representative team will be made up of players from the sixteen team OUA Hockey League, and they will look to improve upon the fine finish of the 1997 Team that was made up of players from the Canada West University Athletic Association.

This year's Hockey Tournament will host eight teams, including our Canadian Team headed by Coach Marlin Mulyeart of the Guelph Gryphons. Mulyeart, who was selected as head coach in February [1998] will be joined by Assistant

Coaches Barry Martinelli (Western), Graham Wise (York) and Team Manager Wayne Gowing of Laurier.

"The goal for this team is the same as any Canadian Hockey Team, to pursue the gold medal in any competition anywhere in the world", says Mulyeart. Mulyeart acknowledges that some good players were not selected to attend the camp, but he stressed that the best team is not necessarily made up of the best players. Of those players invited to the camp, Mulyeart looks to Canada's leading University Goalie Luc Belager, a rookie All-Canadian last year, as a potential net minder. Fellow UQTR Patriotes Christian Caron and Daniel Payette, who lead the OUA in scoring, as well as the Windsor Lancers'

Chris Gignac are among the top contenders for this year's team.

Training camp [was] held at the University of Guelph from December 19th to December 22nd, and the twenty-two players selected for the team will travel to the games which will be held in Poprad-Tatry, Slovakia from January 21st to January 30th, 1999. the team [has] also prepared for the competition with a game against the Slovakian Junior Team en route to the World Junior Championships in Winnipeg. The game was played December 20th at the University of Guelph.

See Canada's preliminary selections for the games in the bottom left corner of this page - Sports Ed.

Hockey Vees Begin New Year With a Bang, but Find a Way to Bust

by Ryan Hanna
Sports Editor

The Hockey Vees looked as though their New Year's resolutions had paid off when they squeaked out a 3-3 tie against the U of T Varsity Blues on Saturday, but they returned to their 1998 form with a 7-4 loss to Guelph on Sunday.

Derron Croteau was named the LU Player of the Game because he scored the tying tally for the Vees. Darren Schmidt and Joey Brongo scored the other Vees' goals earlier in the matchup.

Voyageur fans were pleased to see that Santa also brought back Kris Laamanen to the lineup, ending his stint as a spectator due to a knee injury.

On Sunday, the Vees' luck took a turn for the worse after the Guelph Gryphons gave the Laurentian its first loss of the new year. Darren Schmidt led the Vees with two goals. Andre Allard added another goal for the Vees, and an assist later in the match. Martin Robert was credited with two assists as well.

Jason Reesor of the Gryphs scored a goal and four assists, while

teammate James Boyd added a single tally and three more assists.

In my mind the only real highlight of this game for the Vees was that Matt DiDiana tried to punch the fuck out of some Guelph players late in the game. Way to go!!!

The Hockey Vees' record now sits at 2-8-4 on the season, and they search desperately for a win in 1999. Their next game is on January 16th at Sudbury Arena against the Laurier Golden Hawks. Come on out and cheer the Vees on to a win. If you don't it may be too late.

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Goaltenders

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Jarrod Daniel
CJ Denomme
Benoit Richard

UQTR Patriotes
McGill Redmen
Western Mustangs
Concordia Stingers

Defensemen

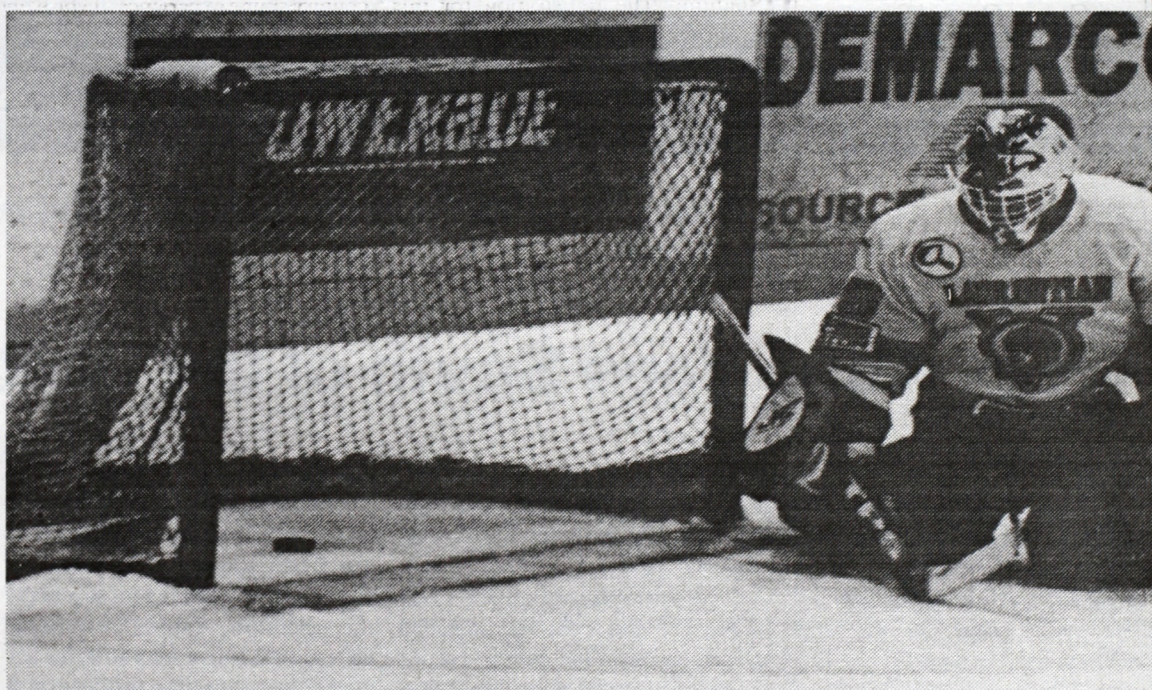
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Kevin Diachina
Scott Hillman
Paul McInnes
Bob McQuat
Jim Moss
Mike Van Volsen

York Yeomen
Windsor Lancers
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Brock Badgers
Laurier Golden Hawks
Western Mustangs
Guelph Gryphons

Forwards

Jeff Ambrosio
Christian Caron
Sasha Cucuz
Matthew Darche
Greg Eisler
Damon Hardy
Chris Gignac
Jason Jackman
Peter McCague
Daniel Payette
Jeff Petrie
Kevin Pucovsky
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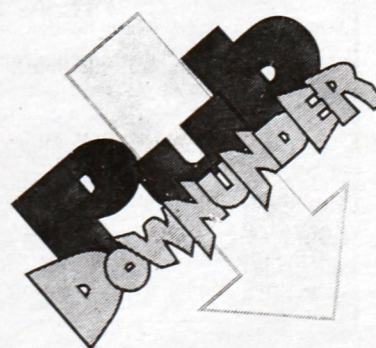
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York Yeomen



Pucks in the LU net are becoming all too commonplace this season

CIAU MEN'S HOCKEY TOP TEN

- 1) UQTR Patriotes
- 2) Ottawa Gee-Gee's
- 3) Alberta Golden Bears
- 4) Saskatchewan Huskies
- 5) St. Francis Xavier X-Men
- 6) Concordia Stingers
- 7) McGill Redmen
- 8) Manitoba Bisons
- 9) Acadia Axemen
- 10) Moncton Aigles Bleus



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**COMEDIAN RICK BRONSON IN
THE PUB ON FRIDAY,
JANUARY 22 AT 9PM**

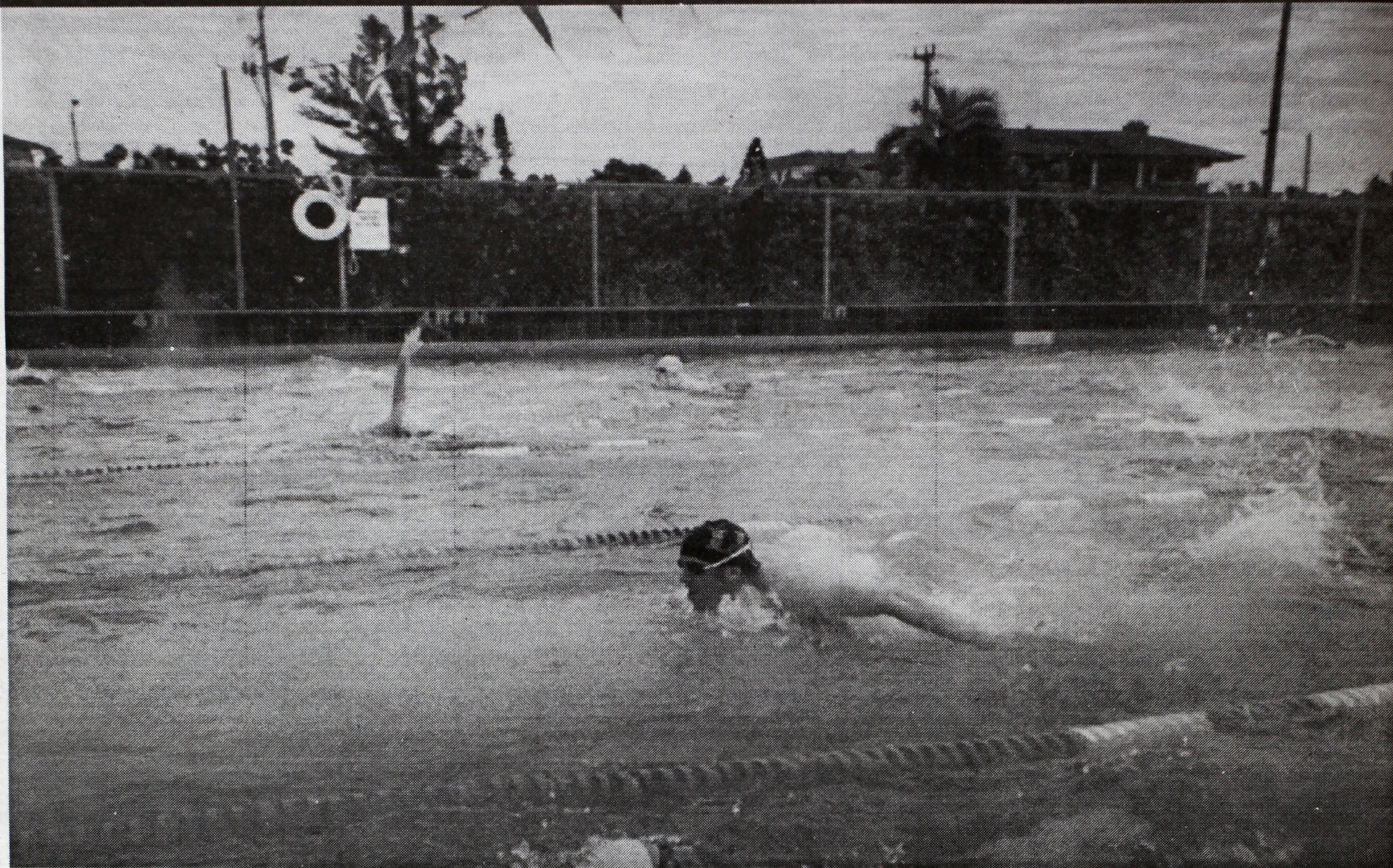


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Veteran Dean "The Machine" Charette churns out a set in the chilly a.m.

Aqua Vees South of the Border ... FLA, Baby!

by Jon Howard
Staff Writer

The bronzed, buffed, and tempered Voyageurs of the aquatic variety returned home last week from training camp on the sunny beaches of Sarasota, Florida. The Vees had seen the end of '98, the most grueling training of the season, and the birth of the new year as a team. Each took home many great memories... along with an ample stock of "duty free" purchases.

The Aqua Vees celebrated boxing day in fine fashion by gathering on a crowded bus, thus commencing the thirty-plus hour jaunt through snow, sleet, and eventually hordes of cantankerous American motorists. We were prepared for such an ominous ordeal, armed with weapons such as "Slumber Party", the game for girls aged 8-13, yet played avidly by men aged 19-24. For those who preferred more intellectual pursuits, brain teasing puzzles were allotted. These unfortunately caused a severe nervous breakdown for rookie Dave Vacchino, who just couldn't manage the elusive "big pyramid" and had to watch as vet Jon Howard assembled it within five minutes. Just when all seemed lost, at the halfway point of the journey the

team was revived by a private ten hour screening of ROCKY I through V, which brought the bus into Florida territory.

Just after dark on the evening of the 27th the Vees had unloaded everything from the drive, save for the severe cases of cabin fever. Local entertainer "Parrot Head" Murray Andrew helped welcome the varsity crowd and clear the cobwebs from their heads. The highpoint of the evening occurred when he discovered the identity of our homeland and belted out a stirring rendition of Stompin' Tom's "Sudbury Saturday Night", which brought on a standing ovation. Turns out that Parrot Head was a native of Windsor, one we could call our own! He insisted we stay in touch in order to set up a gig in Sudbury the next time he passes through, so keep an eye out...

The R & R was short lived however, for the Aqua Vees came with a simple agenda, that being to train, and train hard. The first day of the camp was witness to over thirteen kilometres in the water over two exhausting workouts, setting the pace for things to come. Over the entire nine-and-a-half days available to

train, the Aqua Vees covered close to one hundred kilometers in the pool, laying the foundation for physical and mental toughness. These qualities will prove essential for success at the upcoming OUA Swimming Championships, which will be hosted by the Vees during the first weekend in February.

Amidst the toil of training, the hardy Aqua Vees seemed to crave even more physical challenges. At the first chance they got, most of the team scrambled aboard the deep sea fishing vessel "Flying Fish", for four soothing hours of rough, choppy waters. As you may well imagine, the ordeal quickly turned into a vomitous affair, with those who could stomach the waves eventually succumbing to the sight and smell of the less fortunate. Dehydration became a factor for the sickly mariners that evening in the pool.

Leader of the Vees, Coach Doc Tihanyi graciously awarded his team the morning off on the first day of the new year, in order to accommodate for the preceding evening's festivities. Fine Spanish cuisine was sampled by all following a two hour wait and mediocre service, but those

fortunate enough to legally partake kept the establishment in business. On the way back to the condos, women's Team Captain Megan Cumming took a liking to the cabbie... sparks flew... but things just would not pan out for the star-crossed pair. The arrival of the new year brought the team to the white sandy beaches nearby, where at the stroke of midnight embraces were shared all round, accompanied by the traditional New Year's team fraternizing.

The team's final night in Florida celebrated veteran Julia Haywood's 20th birthday as well as the conclusion of the camp. The Vees made their way to "Captain Kurt's" for a typical sea fare spread. Once again Parrot Head saw us through the evening and all had a great deal of fun, with the exception of one anonymous athlete who was savagely attacked by a maniacal cactus.

One would think that the conclusion of the trip would be evident at this point, yet the return was just the beginning. Enter Helen, more affectionately known as "Bussy". Many yarns could be spun from the dealings with Bussy, but one comes

to mind that tops them all. Apparently the most convenient method of storing blue toilet cleaner was to keep it in an unmarked Gatorade bottle, next to the driver's seat. Could it be mistaken for a cool, refreshing beverage? Our replacement driver seemed to think so, and was regretting his decision all the way to the hospital where his stomach was pumped. This action initiated not only a severe health risk on New Bussy's behalf, but a major delay in our return. Events were sorted out however, and New Bussy recovered quickly, but Bussy's presence had been felt in the wake of her departure.

Suffice to say, the Aqua Vees are back, stronger than ever. The motto of the training camp stood out during the toughest of times: "At least we have our health" and, failing that, "At least we still have our sense of humour." The Voyageurs are now ready to tear apart their next adversaries, namely the York Yeomen/women, and the Ryerson Rams. The gun will go off this Friday, January 15th, in the Olympic Gold Pool at 6:45 p.m., and again on the 16th at 2:00 p.m. Come out and support the Aqua Vees during their last home meet before OUA's!